

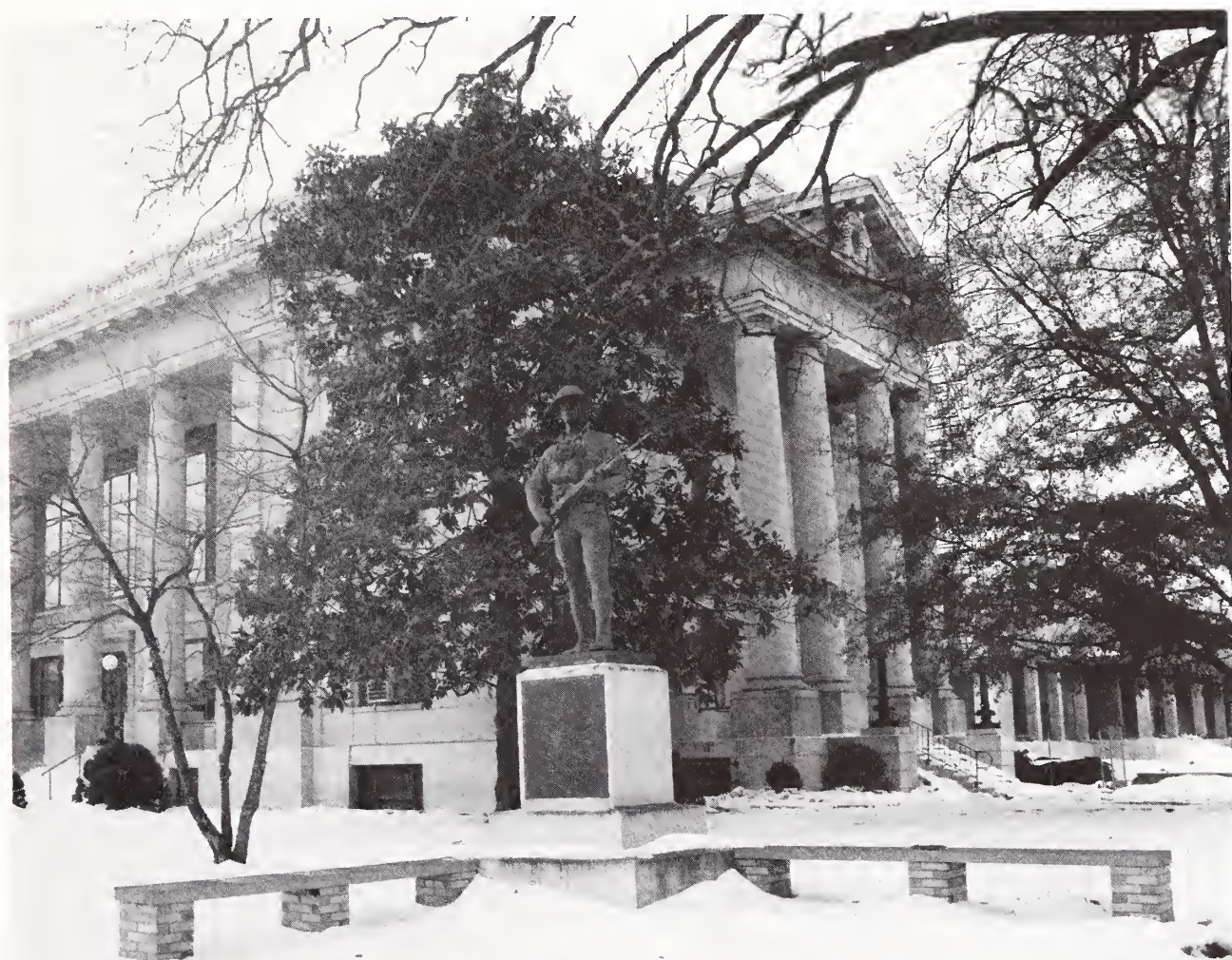
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The Honorable James G. Exum, Jr., Chief Justice
The Supreme Court of North Carolina
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Chief Justice:

In accord with Section 7A-343 of the North Carolina General Statutes, I herewith transmit the Twenty-first Annual Report of the Administrative Office of the Courts, relating to the fiscal year, July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987.

Fiscal year 1986-87 marks the third consecutive year with significant increases in filings and dispositions in both the Superior and District Courts. During 1986-87, as compared to 1985-86, total case filings increased by 8.3% in Superior Court and by 11.1% in District Court; dispositions increased by 9.3% in Superior Court and by 9.9% in District Court. Because total filings were greater than total dispositions, more cases were pending at the end of the fiscal year than were pending at the beginning.

Appreciation is expressed to the many persons who participated in the data reporting, compilation, and writing required to produce this annual report. Within the Administrative Office of the Courts, principal responsibilities were shared by the Research and Planning Division and the Information Services Division. The principal burden of reporting the great mass of trial court data rested upon the offices of the clerks of superior court located in each of the one hundred counties of the State. The Clerk of the Supreme Court and the Clerk of the Court of Appeals provided the case data relating to our appellate courts.


Without the responsible work of many persons across the State this report would not have been possible.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Franklin Freeman, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Franklin Freeman, Jr.
Director

February, 1988



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PART I

THE 1986-1987 JUDICIAL YEAR IN REVIEW

THE 1986-87 JUDICIAL YEAR IN REVIEW

This *Annual Report* on the work of North Carolina's Judicial Department is for the fiscal year which began July 1, 1986 and ended June 30, 1987.

The Workload of the Courts

Case filings in the Supreme Court totaled 196 compared with 209 filed during 1985-86. A total of 674 petitions were filed in the Supreme Court, compared with 733 in 1985-86; and 99 petitions were allowed, compared with 129 in 1985-86.

For the Court of Appeals for 1986-87, case filings were 1,288 compared with 1,381 for the 1985-86 year. Petitions filed in 1986-87 totaled 458, compared with 546 during the 1985-86 year.

More detailed data on the appellate courts is included in Part II of this *Annual Report*.

In the superior courts, case filings (civil and criminal) increased by 8.3% to a total of 98,886 in 1986-87, compared with 91,336 cases in 1985-86. Superior court case dispositions also increased, to a total of 96,308, compared with 88,089 in 1985-86. As case filings during the year exceeded case dispositions, the total number of cases pending at the end of the year increased by 2,578.

Not including juvenile proceedings and mental hospital commitment hearings, the statewide total of district court filings (civil and criminal) during 1986-87 was 1,868,985, an increase of 186,664 (11.1%) from 1985-86 filings of 1,682,321 cases. This total includes a new case category in the district courts: infractions. Effective September 1, 1986, many minor traffic offenses were decriminalized and thereafter prosecuted as infractions. Infractions are defined as non-criminal violations of law, not punishable by imprisonment. Nearly all infraction offenses were classified as *criminal* motor vehicle cases in prior years. During 1986-87, a total of 486,994 infraction cases were filed along with a total of 488,494 criminal motor vehicle cases, for a combined total of 975,488 cases. This combined total is an increase of 136,320 cases (16.2%) above the 839,168 criminal motor vehicle cases filed during 1985-86. During 1986-87, filings of criminal non-motor vehicle cases in the district courts increased by 22,292 (5.0%) to 468,131, compared with 445,839 during 1985-86. Filings of civil magistrate cases in the district courts increased by 21,411 (9.5%), to 247,455 during 1986-87 compared with 226,044 during 1985-86.

Operations of the superior and district courts are summarized in Part II of this Report, and detailed information on the caseloads in the 100 counties and 34 judicial districts is presented in Part IV.

1987 Legislative Highlights

Superior Court Redistricting

Chapter 509 of the 1987 Session Laws rewrote G.S. 7A-41 pertaining to judicial districts for the superior courts. The new legislation is effective January 1, 1989 for administrative purposes and effective in 1988 for purposes of electing superior court judges. The result is to

increase superior court judge districts from 34 to 60 *for election purposes*, and from 34 to 44 for *administrative purposes* only. Current superior court districts, 3, 4, 6, 8, 16, 19A, 20, 25, and 30 were divided into two districts each for court administration and election purposes; district 7 was divided into two districts for administration purposes and into three districts for election purposes; district 12 was divided into three districts for election purposes; and current single county districts 10, 14, 18, 21, and 26 were divided into two or more districts each for election purposes only. The existing eight special judge positions (appointed by the Governor for four year terms) were phased out, effective January 1, 1989, being replaced by regular superior court positions to be filled by election during 1988. (Two additional special judge positions were created by Chapter 509, but these are apparently to be replaced by regular resident judge positions in January 1991.) The 1987 legislation on superior court redistricting is subject to review under the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, and the act was precleared by the United States Department of Justice on September 25, 1987.

Judicial Selection Study Commission

The 1987 General Assembly in Chapter 873 established the Judicial Selection Study Commission to "study the method of selecting judges in North Carolina and recommend any changes needed to improve the system." The Commission will have 20 members: four appointed by the Governor, four appointed by the Lieutenant Governor, four appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, four appointed by the Chief Justice, and four appointed by the Attorney General. The Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives each designates a cochairman of the Commission. The legislation further provides that the Commission is to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor, the General Assembly, the Chief Justice, and the Attorney General by February 15, 1989.

AOC Studies

The 1987 General Assembly in Chapter 19 directed the Administrative Office of the Courts to conduct a study concerning the use of presentence reports by judges, addressing the following issues: (1) current use of presentence reports; (2) when the reports should be prepared; (3) who should prepare them; (4) their contents; and (5) whether the presentence reports should be mandatory for any, or all, offenses. The Administrative Office of the Courts is to submit a written report to the General Assembly prior to the convening of the 1988 Session of the 1987 General Assembly.

Chapter 738 directed the Administrative Office of the Courts to study the potential for receiving federal reimbursement for the costs of administration of child support enforcement services. The results of this study are to be reported to the Joint Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety by May 1, 1988.

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Life Sentence Appeals

G.S. 7A-27 was amended by Chapter 679 of the 1987 Session Laws to provide that only persons sentenced to death or life imprisonment for first-degree murder are entitled to an automatic review of their conviction by the North Carolina Supreme Court. Appeals of life sentences in second-degree murder, rape and sex offense cases will now go to the Court of Appeals, and any further review of such cases by the Supreme Court will be discretionary rather than a matter of right.

Appellate Reports

Chapter 404 of the 1987 Session Laws amended G.S. 7A-6 to authorize the Supreme Court to designate a commercial law publisher's reports and advance sheets as the official reports of the Appellate Division, and to authorize the Administrative Officer of the Courts to contract with a commercial law publisher to print and sell appellate reports and advance sheets. These authorizations are in addition to present statutory provisions in G.S. 7A-6 pertaining to publication of the appellate reports.

Community Penalties Program

Chapter 862 of the 1987 Session Laws transferred the Buncombe County Community Penalties Program and funds previously allocated to it to the Administrative Office of the Courts. (The Buncombe County program had been funded by grants from the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety and from local funds. Other community penalties programs will continue to be so funded.) The Buncombe program will now be under the supervision of the chief district judge for the 28th District, and its employees will be state employees.

Emergency Judges

Chapter 738 of the 1987 Session Laws provides that trial judges with eight (instead of 12) years of service may become emergency judges.

Worthless Check Jurisdiction

Chapter 355 provides that the jurisdiction of magistrates and clerks to accept written appearances, waiver of trial and plea of guilty in worthless check cases is increased to cases involving checks up to \$1,000 (previously \$500); and magistrates may now hear and decide not guilty pleas in worthless check cases involving checks up to \$1,000.

Jurors

Chapter 702 enacted G.S. 9-2 to prohibit an employer from firing or demoting an employee because the employee was called for either petit or grand jury duty.

The employee has the right to a court action for reinstatement and reasonable damage in the event an employer violates the new statute.

Incompetence and Guardianship Laws Rewritten

The product of over two years' work by a committee established jointly by the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Division of Social Services, a thorough rewrite of North Carolina's guardianship laws was enacted by the 1987 General Assembly. The new law (Chapter 550), codified in the General Statutes as Chapter 35A, entitled "Incompetence and Guardianship," replaces Chapters 33 and 35, and consolidates all statutory provisions for adjudicating a person to be incompetent, appointing and establishing the powers of guardians of incompetent persons and of minors, accounting by guardians, and managing the estates of wards.

Salaries

Funds were appropriated by the 1987 General Assembly for a 10% pay raise for district court judges, and a 5% pay increase for other officials and employees of the Judicial Department. No funding for merit increases was provided.

New Positions

Judicial Department appropriations for fiscal year 1987-88 provide the following new positions: two special superior court judgeships (effective August 1, 1987); five assistant district attorneys (one each for Districts 11, 25, 27A, 27B, and 29); ten victim-witness coordinators and three secretaries for district attorneys; three assistant public defenders; two assistant appellate defenders; two magistrates; seven district court secretaries; 30 deputy clerks of superior court; one trial court administrator; and 26 positions in the juvenile court counselor program.

For the 1988-89 fiscal year, appropriations were provided for the following new positions: eleven district court judgeships (to be filled in the 1988 general election for Districts 3, 5, 7, 10, 11, 16, 18, 19B, 21, 25, and 26); one superior court judgeship to be filled in the 1988 general election; five assistant district attorneys, three secretaries and ten victim-witness coordinators for district attorney offices; five magistrates; one court reporter; one deputy clerk; and ten secretarial positions.

Total Appropriations

The 1987 Session of the General Assembly appropriated a total of \$158,596,135 to the Judicial Department for the 1987-88 fiscal year. For the 1988-89 fiscal year, the total appropriated is \$165,653,510, which is subject to revision by the 1988 legislative session.

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- **Organization and Operations in 1986-87**

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA COURT SYSTEM

From its early colonial period North Carolina's judicial system has been the focus of periodic attention and adjustment. Through the years, there has been a repeated sequence of critical examination, proposals for reform, and finally the enactment of some reform measures.

Colonial Period

Around 1700 the royal governor established a General (or Supreme) Court for the colony and a dispute developed over the appointment of associate justices. The Assembly conceded to the King the right to name the chief justice but unsuccessfully tried to win for itself the power to appoint the associate justices. Other controversies developed concerning the creation and jurisdiction of the courts and the tenure of judges. As for the latter, the Assembly's position was that judge appointments should be for good behavior as against the royal governor's decision for life appointment. State historians have noted that "the Assembly won its fight to establish courts and the judicial structure in the province was grounded on laws enacted by the legislature," which was more familiar with local conditions and needs (Lefler and Newsome, 142). Nevertheless, North Carolina alternated between periods under legislatively enacted reforms (like good behavior tenure and the Court Bill of 1746, which contained the seeds of the post-Revolutionary court system) and periods of stalemate and anarchy after such enactments were nullified by royal authority. A more elaborate system was framed by legislation in 1767 to last five years. It was not renewed because of persisting disagreement between local and royal partisans. As a result, North Carolina was without higher courts until after Independence (Battle, 847).

At the lower court level during the colonial period, judicial and county government administrative functions were combined in the authority of the justices of the peace, who were appointed by the royal governor.

After the Revolution

When North Carolina became a state in 1776, the colonial structure of the court system was retained largely intact. The Courts of Pleas and Quarter Sessions — the county court which continued in use from about 1670 to 1868 — were still held by the assembled justices of the peace in each county. The justices were appointed by the governor on the recommendation of the General Assembly, and they were paid out of fees charged litigants. On the lowest level of the judicial system, magistrate courts of limited jurisdiction were held by justices of the peace, singly or in pairs, while the county court was out of term.

The new Constitution of 1776 empowered the General Assembly to appoint judges of the Supreme Court of Law and Equity. A court law enacted a year later authorized three superior court judges and created judicial districts. Sessions were supposed to be held in the court towns of each district twice a year, under a system much like the one that had expired in 1772. Just as there had been little distinction in terminology between General Court and

Supreme Court prior to the Revolution, the terms Supreme Court and Superior Court were also interchangeable during the period immediately following the Revolution.

One of the most vexing governmental problems confronting the new State of North Carolina was its judiciary. "From its inception in 1777 the state's judiciary caused complaint and demands for reform." (Lefler and Newsome, 291, 292). Infrequency of sessions, conflicting judge opinions, and insufficient number of judges, and lack of means for appeal were all cited as problems, although the greatest weakness was considered to be the lack of a real Supreme Court.

In 1779, the legislature required the Superior Court judges to meet together in Raleigh as a Court of Conference to resolve cases which were disagreed on in the districts. This court was continued and made permanent by subsequent laws. The justices were required to put their opinions in writing to be delivered orally in court. The Court of Conference was changed in name to the Supreme Court in 1805 and authorized to hear appeals in 1810. Because of the influence of the English legal system, however, there was still no conception of an alternative to judges sitting together to hear appeals from cases which they had themselves heard in the districts in panels of as few as two judges (Battle, 848). In 1818, though, an independent three-judge Supreme Court was created for review of cases decided at the Superior Court level.

Meanwhile, semi-annual superior court sessions in each county were made mandatory in 1806, and the State was divided into six circuits, or ridings, where the six judges were to sit in rotation, two judges constituting a quorum as before.

The County Court of justices of the peace continued during this period as the lowest court and as the agency of local government.

After the Civil War

Major changes to modernize the judiciary and make it more democratic were made in 1868. A primary holdover from the English legal arrangement — the distinction between law and equity proceedings — was abolished. The County Court's control of local government was abolished. Capital offenses were limited to murder, arson, burglary and rape, and the Constitution stated that the aim of punishment was "not only to satisfy justice, but also to reform the offender, and thus prevent crime". The membership of the Supreme Court was raised to five, and the selection of the justices (including the designation of the chief justice) and superior court judges (raised in number to 12) was taken from the legislature and given to the voters, although vacancies were to be filled by the governor until the next election. The Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions — The County Court of which three justices of the peace constituted a quorum — was eliminated. Its judicial responsibilities were divided between the Superior Courts and the individual justices of the peace, who were retained as separate judicial officers with limited jurisdiction.

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA COURT SYSTEM

Conservatively oriented amendments to the 1868 Constitution in 1875 reduced the number of Supreme Court justices to three and the Superior Court judges to nine. The General Assembly was given the power to appoint justices of the peace, instead of the governor. Most of the modernizing changes in the post-Civil War Constitution, however, were left, and the judicial structure it had established continued without systematic modification through more than half of the 20th century. (A further constitutional amendment approved by the voters in November, 1888, returned the Supreme Court membership to five, and the number of superior court judges to twelve.)

Before Reorganization

A multitude of legislative enactments to meet rising demands and to respond to changing needs had heavily encumbered the 1868 judicial structure by the time systematic court reforms were proposed in the 1950's. This accrual of piecemeal change and addition to the court system was most evident at the lower, local court level, where hundreds of courts specially created by statute operated with widely dissimilar structure and jurisdiction.

By 1965, when the implementation of the most recent major reforms was begun, the court system in North Carolina consisted of four levels: (a) the Supreme Court, with appellate jurisdiction; (b) the superior court, with general trial jurisdiction; (c) the local statutory courts of limited jurisdiction, and (d) justices of the peace and mayor's courts, with petty jurisdiction.

At the superior court level, the State had been divided into 30 judicial districts and 21 solicitorial districts. The 38 superior court judges (who rotated among the counties) and the district solicitors were paid by the State. The clerk of superior court, who was judge of probate and often also a juvenile judge, was a county official. There were specialized branches of superior court in some counties for matters like domestic relations and juvenile offenses.

The lower two levels were local courts. At the higher of these local court levels were more than 180 recorder-type courts. Among these were the county recorder's courts, municipal recorder's courts and township recorder's courts; the general county courts, county criminal courts and special county courts; the domestic relations courts and the juvenile courts. Some of these had been established individually by special legislative acts more than a half-century earlier. Others had been created by general law across the State since 1919. About half were county courts and half were city or township courts. Jurisdiction included misdemeanors (mostly traffic offenses), preliminary hearings and sometimes civil matters. The judges, who were usually part-time, were variously elected or appointed locally.

At the lowest level were about 90 mayor's courts and some 925 justices of the peace. These officers had similar criminal jurisdiction over minor cases with penalties up to a \$50 fine or 30 days in jail. The justices of the

peace also had civil jurisdiction of minor cases. These court officials were compensated by the fees they exacted, and they provided their own facilities.

Court Reorganization

The need for a comprehensive evaluation and revision of the court system received the attention and support of Governor Luther H. Hodges in 1957, who encouraged the leadership of the North Carolina Bar Association to pursue the matter. A Court Study Committee was established as an agency of the North Carolina Bar Association, and that Committee issued its report, calling for reorganization, at the end of 1958. A legislative Constitutional Commission, which worked with the Court Study Committee, finished its report early the next year. Both groups called for the structuring of an all-inclusive court system which would be directly state-operated, uniform in its organization throughout the State and centralized in its administration. The plan was for a simplified, streamlined and unified structure. A particularly important part of the proposal was the elimination of the local statutory courts and their replacement by a single District Court; the office of justice of the peace was to be abolished, and the newly fashioned position of magistrate would function within the District Court as a subordinate judicial office.

Constitutional amendments were introduced in the legislature in 1959 but these failed to gain the required three-fifths vote of each house. The proposals were reintroduced and approved at the 1961 session. The Constitutional amendments were approved by popular vote in 1962, and three years later the General Assembly enacted statutes to put the system into effect by stages. By the end of 1970 all of the counties and their courts had been incorporated into the new system, whose unitary nature was symbolized by the name, General Court of Justice. The designation of the entire 20th century judicial system as a single, statewide "court," with components for various types and levels of caseload, was adapted from North Carolina's earlier General Court, whose full venue extended to all of the 17th century counties.

After Reorganization

Notwithstanding the comprehensive reorganization adopted in 1962, the impetus for changes has continued. In 1965, the Constitution was amended to provide for the creation of an intermediate Court of Appeals. It was amended again in 1972 to allow for the Supreme Court to censure or remove judges upon the recommendation of a Judicial Standards Commission. As for the selection of judges, persistent efforts were made in the 1970's to obtain legislative approval of amendments to the State Constitution, to appoint judges according to "merit" instead of electing them by popular, partisan vote. The proposed amendments received

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA COURT SYSTEM

the backing of a majority of the members of each house, but not the three-fifths required to submit constitutional amendments to a vote of the people. It seems likely that this significant issue will be before the General Assembly again for consideration.

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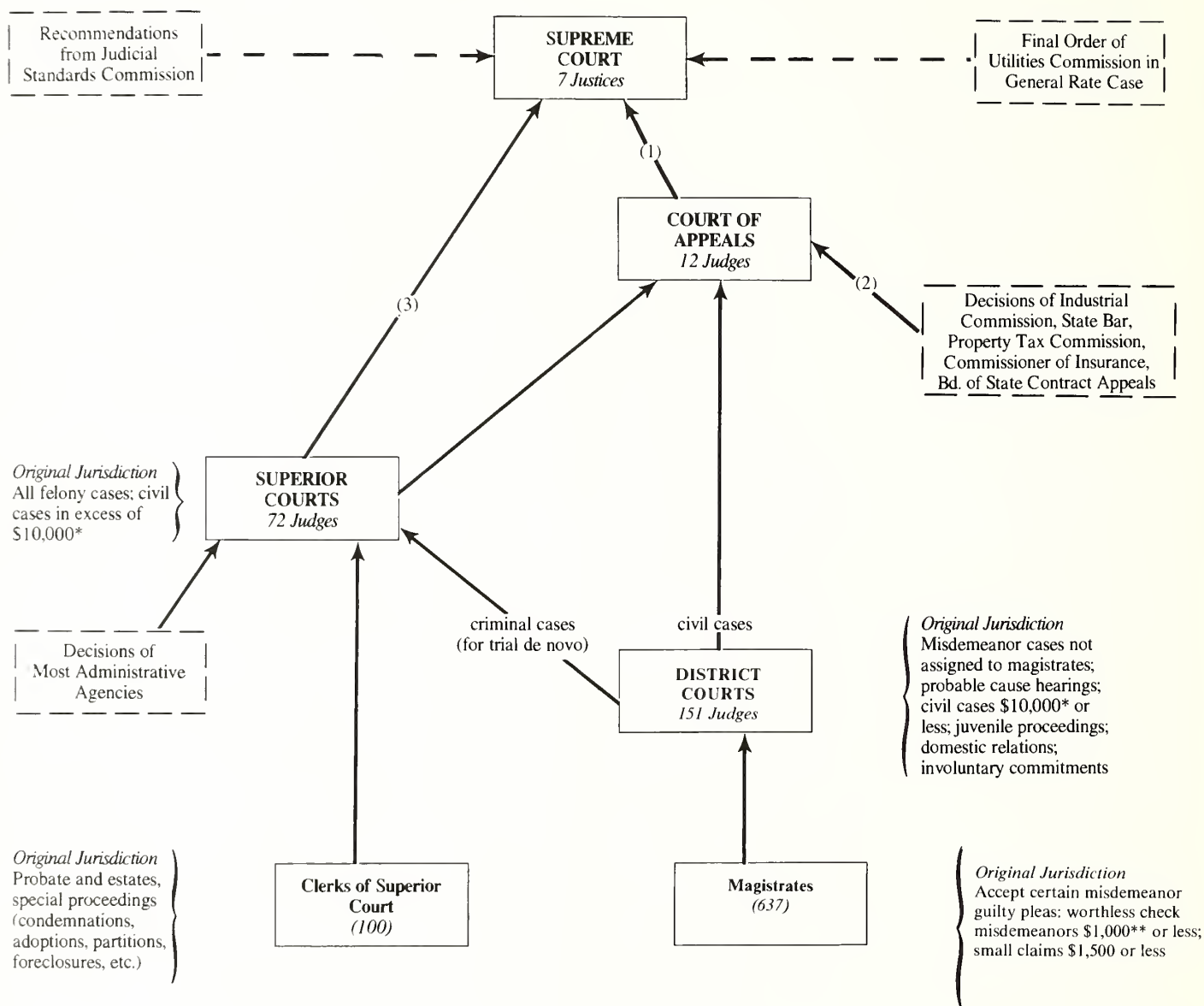
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THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

Original Jurisdiction and Routes of Appeal



- (1) Appeals from the Court of Appeals to the Supreme Court are by right in Utilities Commission general rate cases, cases involving constitutional questions, and cases in which there has been dissent in the Court of Appeals. In its discretion, the Supreme Court may review Court of Appeals decisions in cases of significant public interest or cases involving legal principles of major significance.
- (2) Appeals from these agencies lie directly to the Court of Appeals.
- (3) As a matter of right, appeals go directly to the Supreme Court in criminal cases in which the defendant has been sentenced to death or life imprisonment, and in civil cases involving the involuntary annexation of territory by a municipality of 5,000 or more population. In all other cases appeal as of right is to the Court of Appeals. In its discretion, the Supreme Court may hear appeals directly from the trial courts in cases where delay would cause substantial harm or the Court of Appeals docket is unusually full. (Under G.S. 7A-27, effective July 24, 1987, appeals in criminal cases as a matter of right are limited to first degree murder cases in which there is a sentence of death or life imprisonment.)

*The district and superior courts have concurrent original jurisdiction in civil actions (G.S. 7A-242). However, the district court division is the *proper* division for the trial of civil actions in which the amount in controversy is \$10,000 or less; and the superior court division is the proper division for the trial of civil actions in which the amount in controversy exceeds \$10,000 (G.S. 7A-243).

**Magistrate jurisdiction in worthless check cases increased from \$500 to \$1,000 effective October 1, 1987

THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

Article IV of the North Carolina Constitution establishes the General Court of Justice which “shall constitute a unified judicial system for purposes of jurisdiction, operation, and administration, and shall consist of an Appellate Division, a Superior Court Division, and a District Court Division.”

The Appellate Division is comprised of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals.

The Superior Court Division is comprised of the superior courts which hold sessions in the county seats of the 100 counties of the State. The counties are grouped into judicial districts (34 at the present time), and one or more superior court judges are elected for each of the judicial districts. A clerk of the superior court for each county is elected by the voters of the county.

The District Court Division is comprised of the district courts. The General Assembly is authorized to divide the State into a convenient number of local court districts and prescribe where the district courts shall sit, but district court must sit in at least one place in each county. The General Assembly has provided that districts for purposes of the district court are coterminous with superior court judicial districts. The Constitution also provides for one or more magistrates to be appointed in each county “who shall be officers of the district court.”

The State Constitution (Art. IV, Sec. 1) also contains the term, “judicial department,” stating that “The General Assembly shall have no power to deprive the judicial department of any power or jurisdiction that rightfully pertains to it as a co-ordinate department of the government, nor shall it establish or authorize any courts other than as permitted by this Article.” The terms, “General Court of Justice” and “Judicial Department” are almost, but not quite, synonymous. It may be said that the Judicial Department encompasses all of the levels of court designated as the General Court of Justice plus all administrative and ancillary services within the Judicial Department.

The original jurisdictions and routes of appeal between the several levels of court in North Carolina’s system of courts are illustrated in the chart on the opposite page.

Criminal Cases

Trial of misdemeanor cases is within the original jurisdiction of the district courts. Some misdemeanor offenses are tried by magistrates, who are also empowered to accept pleas of guilty to certain offenses and impose fines in accordance with a schedule set by the Conference of Chief District Court Judges. Most trials of misdemeanors are by district court judges, who also hold preliminary, “probable cause” hearings in felony cases. Trial of felony cases is within the jurisdiction of the superior courts.

Decisions of magistrates may be appealed to the district court judge. In criminal cases there is no trial by jury available at the district court level; appeal from the district courts’ judgments in criminal cases is to the superior courts for trial *de novo* before a jury. Except in life-imprisonment or death sentence cases (which are appealed

to the Supreme Court), appeal from the superior courts is to the Court of Appeals.

Civil Cases

The 100 clerks of superior court are *ex officio* judges of probate and have original jurisdiction in probate and estates matters. The clerks also have jurisdiction over such special proceedings as adoptions, partitions, condemnations under the authority of eminent domain, and foreclosures. Rulings of the clerk may be appealed to the superior court.

The district courts have original jurisdiction in juvenile proceedings, domestic relations cases, petitions for involuntary commitment to a mental hospital, and are the “proper” courts for general civil cases where the amount in controversy is \$10,000 or less. If the amount in controversy is \$1,500 or less and the plaintiff in the case so requests, the chief district court judge may assign the case for initial hearing by a magistrate. Magistrates’ decisions may be appealed to the district court. Trial by jury for civil cases is available in the district courts; appeal from the judgment of a district court in a civil case is to the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

The superior courts are the proper courts for trial of general civil cases where the amount in controversy is more than \$10,000. Appeals from decisions of most administrative agencies are first within the jurisdiction of the superior courts. Appeal from the superior courts in civil cases is to the Court of Appeals.

Administration

The North Carolina Supreme Court has the “general power to supervise and control the proceedings of any of the other courts of the General Court of Justice.” (G.S. 7A-32(b)).

In addition to this grant of general supervisory power, the North Carolina General Statutes provide certain Judicial Department officials with specific powers and responsibilities for the operation of the court system. The Supreme Court has the responsibility for prescribing rules of practice and procedures for the appellate courts and for prescribing rules for the trial courts to supplement those prescribed by statute. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court designates one of the judges of the Court of Appeals to be its Chief Judge, who in turn is responsible for scheduling the sessions of the Court of Appeals.

The chart on page 11 illustrates specific responsibilities for administration of the trial courts vested in Judicial Department officials by statute. The Chief Justice appoints the Director and an Assistant Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts; this Assistant Director also serves as the Chief Justice’s administrative assistant. The schedule of sessions of superior court in the 100 counties is set by the Supreme Court; assignment of the State’s rotating superior court judges is the responsibility of the Chief Justice. Finally, the Chief Justice designates a chief district court judge for each of the State’s 34 judicial

THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

districts from among the elected district court judges of the respective districts. These judges have responsibilities for the scheduling of the district courts and magistrates' courts within their respective districts, along with other administrative responsibilities.

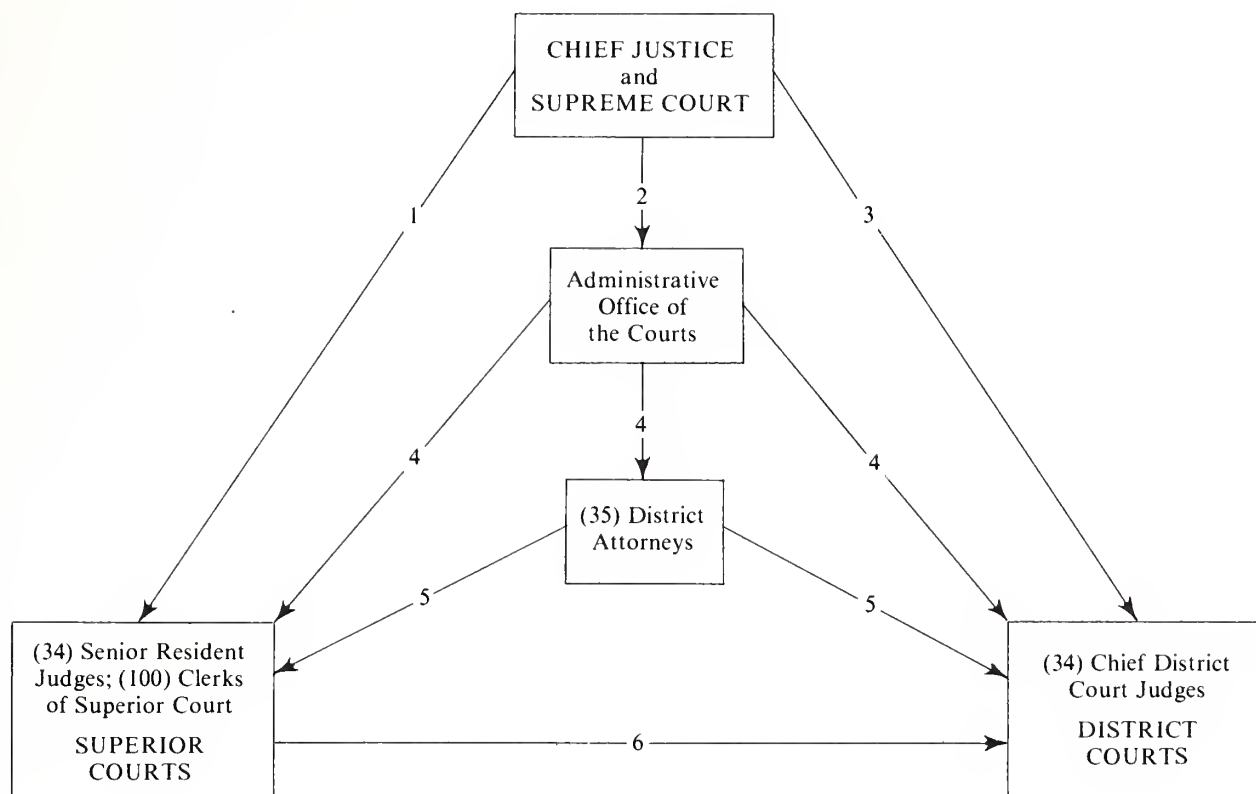
The Administrative Office of the Courts is responsible for direction of non-judicial, administrative and business affairs of the Judicial Department. Included among its functions are fiscal management, personnel services, information and statistical services, supervision of record keeping in the trial court clerks' offices, liaison with the legislative and executive departments of government, court facility evaluation, purchase and contract, education and training, coordination of the program for provision of legal counsel to indigent persons, juvenile proba-

tion and after-care, trial court administrator services, planning, and general administrative services.

The clerk of superior court in each county acts as clerk for both the superior and district courts. Until 1980, the clerk also served as chairman of the county's calendar committee, which set the civil case calendars. Effective July 1, 1980, these committees were eliminated; day-to-day calendaring of civil cases is now done by the clerk of superior court or by a "trial court administrator" in some districts, under the supervision of the senior resident superior court judge and chief district court judge. The criminal case calendars in both superior and district courts are set by the district attorney of the respective district.

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Principal Administrative Authorities for North Carolina Trial Courts



¹The Supreme Court has general supervisory authority over the operations of the superior courts (as well as other trial courts). The schedule of superior courts is approved by the Supreme Court; assignments of superior court judges, who rotate from district to district, are the responsibility of the Chief Justice.

²The Director and an Assistant Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Chief Justice.

³The Supreme Court has general supervisory authority over the operations of the district courts (as well as other trial courts). The Chief Justice appoints a chief district court judge in each of the 34 judicial districts from the judges elected in the respective districts.

⁴The Administrative Office of the Courts is empowered to prescribe a variety of rules governing the operation of the offices of the 100 clerks of superior court, and to obtain statistical data and other information from officials in the Judicial Department.

⁵The district attorney sets the criminal-case trial calendars. In each district, the senior resident superior court judge and the chief district court judge are empowered to supervise the calendaring procedures for civil cases in their respective courts.

⁶In addition to certain judicial functions, the clerk of superior court performs administrative, fiscal and record-keeping functions for both the superior court and district court of his county. Magistrates, who serve under the supervision of the chief district court judge, are appointed by the senior resident superior court judge from nominees submitted by the clerk of superior court.

THE SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA*

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Clerk
J. Gregory Wallace

Librarian
Frances H. Hall

*As of 30 June 1987.

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The Supreme Court

At the apex of the North Carolina court system is the seven-member Supreme Court, which sits in Raleigh to consider and decide questions of law presented in civil and criminal cases on appeal. The Chief Justice and six associate justices are elected to eight-year terms by the voters of the State. There are two terms of the Supreme Court each year: a Spring Term commencing on the first Tuesday in February and a Fall Term commencing on the first Tuesday in September. The Court does not sit in panels. It sits only *en banc*, that is, all members sitting on each case.

Jurisdiction

The only original case jurisdiction exercised by the Supreme Court is in the censure and removal of judges upon the (non-binding) recommendations of the Judicial Standards Commission. The Court's appellate jurisdiction includes:

- cases on appeal by right from the Court of Appeals (cases involving substantial constitutional questions and cases in which there has been dissent in the Court of Appeals);
- cases on appeal by right from the Utilities Commission (cases involving final order or decision in a general rate matter);
- criminal cases on appeal by right from the superior courts (cases in which the defendant has been sentenced to death or life imprisonment); and
- cases in which review has been granted in the Supreme Court's discretion.

Discretionary review by the Supreme Court directly from the trial courts may be granted when delay would likely cause substantial harm or when the workload of the Appellate Division is such that the expeditious administration of justice requires it. However, most appeals are heard only after review by the Court of Appeals.

Administration

The Supreme Court has general power to supervise and control the proceedings of the other courts of the General Court of Justice. The Court has specific power to prescribe the rules of practice and procedure for the trial court divisions, consistent with any rules enacted by the General Assembly. The schedule of superior court sessions in the 100 counties is approved yearly, by the Supreme Court. The Clerk of the Supreme Court, the Librarian of the Supreme Court Library, and the Appel-

late Division Reporter are appointed by the Supreme Court.

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court appoints the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts and an Assistant Director, who serve at the pleasure of the Chief Justice. He also designates a Chief Judge from among the judges of the Court of Appeals and a Chief District Court Judge from among the district judges in each of the State's 34 judicial districts. He assigns superior court judges, who regularly rotate from district to district, to the scheduled sessions of superior court in the 100 counties, and he is also empowered to transfer district court judges to other districts for temporary or specialized duty. The Chief Justice appoints three of the seven members of the Judicial Standards Commission—a judge of the Court of Appeals who serves as the Commission's chairman, one superior court judge and one district court judge. The Chief Justice also appoints six of the 24 voting members of the N.C. Courts Commission: one associate justice of the Supreme Court; one Court of Appeals judge; two superior court judges; and two district court judges. The Chief Justice also appoints the Appellate Defender, and the Chief Hearing Officer of the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Expenses of the Court, 1986-87

Operating expenses of the Supreme Court during the 1986-87 fiscal year amounted to \$2,281,161, an increase of 10.6% over total 1985-86 expenditures of \$2,063,229. Expenditures for the Supreme Court during 1986-87 constituted 1.5% of all General Fund expenditures for the operation of the entire Judicial Department during the fiscal year.

Case Data, 1986-87

A total of 364 appealed cases were before the Supreme Court during the fiscal year, 168 that were pending on July 1, 1986 plus 196 cases filed through June 30, 1987. A total of 200 of these cases were disposed of, leaving 164 cases pending on June 30, 1987.

A total of 801 petitions (requests to appeal) were before the Court during the 1986-87 year, with 635 disposed during the year and 166 pending as of June 30, 1987. The Court granted 99 petitions for review during 1986-87 compared to 129 for 1985-86.

More detailed data on the Court's workload is presented on the following pages.

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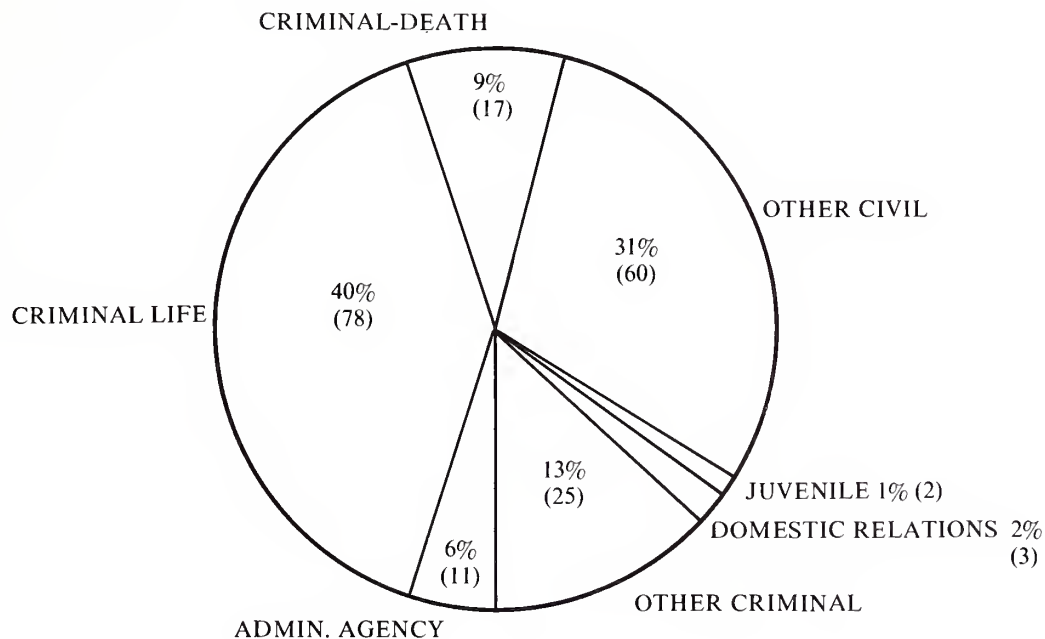
Supreme Court Caseload Inventory

July 1, 1986-June 30, 1987

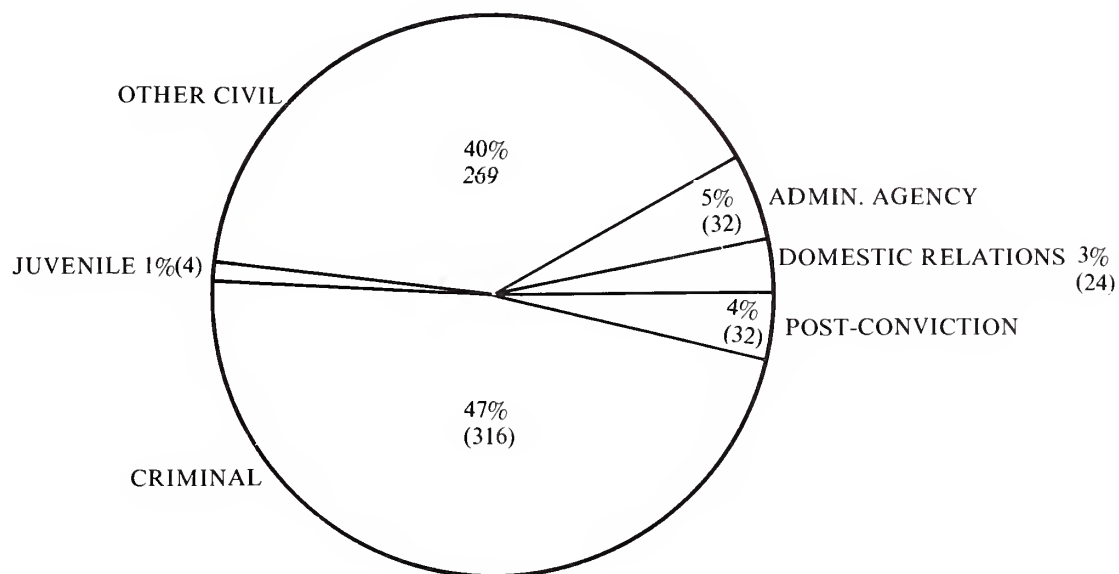
	Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Disposed	Pending 6/30/87
Petitions for Review				
Civil domestic	3	24	22	5
Juvenile	2	4	5	1
Other civil	63	269	269	63
Criminal	39	316	277	78
Postconviction remedy	14	29	33	10
Administrative agency decision	6	32	29	9
Total Petitions for Review	127	674	635	166
Appeals				
Civil domestic	2	0	2	0
Petitions for review granted that became civil domestic appeals	1	3	2	2
Juvenile	0	0	0	0
Petitions for review granted that became juvenile appeals	1	2	3	0
Other civil	23	29	30	22
Petitions for review granted that became other civil appeals	20	31	29	22
Criminal, defendant sentenced to death	14	17	7	24
Criminal, defendant sentenced to life imprisonment	65	78	74	69
Other criminal	17	8	20	5
Petitions for review granted that became other criminal appeals	12	17	18	11
Petitions for review granted that became postconviction remedy cases	0	0	0	0
Administrative agency decision	8	6	8	6
Petitions for review granted that became appeals of administrative agency decision	5	5	7	3
Total Appeals	168	196	200	164
Other Proceedings				
Rule 16(b) additional issues re dissent	0	6	6	0
Extraordinary writs	7	44	51	0
Requests for advisory opinion	0	2	2	0
Rule amendments	0	0	0	0
Motions	0	395	395	0
Rule 31 Petitions to Rehear	0	14	13	1
Total Other Proceedings	7	461	467	1

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**APPEALS FILED IN THE SUPREME COURT
JULY 1, 1986 — JUNE 30, 1987**



**PETITIONS FILED IN THE SUPREME COURT
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Supreme Court Caseload Types by Judicial District and Division

July 1, 1986-June 30, 1987

Judicial Division	Judicial District	Total Cases	Death Cases	Life Cases	Other Criminal	Civil Cases	Other Cases	Cases Disposed
I	1	7	0	3	2	2	0	5
	2	4	0	2	2	0	0	1
	3A	6	1	2	1	2	0	2
	3B	4	0	1	1	2	0	3
	4	8	2	4	0	1	1	2
	5	7	1	3	2	0	1	4
	6	9	3	3	2	1	0	3
	7	5	1	2	1	1	0	3
	8	11	0	7	2	2	0	4
SUBTOTAL		61	8	27	13	11	2	27
II	9	8	1	4	2	1	0	5
	10	63	3	7	6	26	21	32
	11	3	0	0	1	2	0	1
	12	20	1	13	4	2	0	9
	13	5	2	1	1	1	0	2
	14	17	1	6	3	3	4	7
	15A	8	1	3	2	1	1	4
	15B	11	0	8	1	2	0	5
	16	18	8	6	3	1	0	8
SUBTOTAL		153	17	48	23	39	26	73
III	17A	7	2	2	0	2	1	5
	17B	6	1	1	2	2	0	3
	18	21	1	9	2	8	1	11
	19A	8	1	6	0	1	0	6
	19B	2	1	1	0	0	0	2
	20	10	1	3	1	5	0	6
	21	16	1	8	0	7	0	9
	22	15	4	7	1	3	0	3
	23	11	1	5	1	4	0	7
SUBTOTAL		96	13	42	7	32	2	52
IV	24	3	0	2	0	1	0	2
	25	7	1	5	1	0	0	5
	26	15	0	4	2	8	1	11
	27A	12	1	6	3	2	0	7
	27B	4	0	3	0	1	0	2
	28	14	1	7	1	4	1	7
	29	16	3	11	1	1	0	9
	30	10	0	4	3	3	0	5
SUBTOTAL		81	6	42	11	20	2	48
TOTALS		391	44	159	54	102	32	200

NOTE: Above includes life and death sentence cases awaiting Record on Appeal and not yet formally docketed.

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Submission of Cases Reaching Decision Stage in Supreme Court

July 1, 1986-June 30, 1987

Cases Argued

Civil	76
Criminal	110
Total cases argued	186

Submissions Without Argument

By motion of the parties (Appellate Rule 30 (d))	1
By order of the Court (Appellate Rule 30 (f))	1
Total submissions without argument	2

Total Cases Reaching Decision Stage	188
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Disposition of Petitions and Other Proceedings by the Supreme Court

July 1, 1986-June 30, 1987

Petitions for Review	Granted*	Denied	Dismissed/ Withdrawn	Total Disposed
Civil Domestic	3	19	0	22
Juvenile	1	3	1	5
Other Civil	38	221	10	269
Criminal	49	219	9	277
Postconviction Remedy	0	22	11	33
Administrative Agency Decision	8	20	1	29
Total Petitions for Review	99	504	32	635
Other Proceedings				
Rule 16(b) — Additional Issues	3	3	0	6
Extraordinary Writs	13	34	4	51
Advisory Opinion				2
Rule Amendments				0
Motions				395
Total Other Proceedings				467

*"GRANTED" includes orders allowing relief without accepting the case as a full appeal.

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Disposition of Supreme Court Appeals With Signed Opinions

Case Types	Affirmed	Modified	Reversed	Reversed Remanded	Remanded	Total Disposed
Civil domestic	0	0	0	3	0	3
Juvenile	0	0	1	1	0	2
Other civil	15	4	5	15	0	39
Criminal (death sentence)	2	0	1	1	3	7
Criminal (life sentence)	52	0	2	14	6	74
Other criminal	8	2	4	10	0	24
Postconviction remedy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative agency decision	5	0	3	3	0	11
Totals	82	6	16	47	9	160

Disposition of Supreme Court Appeals with Per Curiam Decision

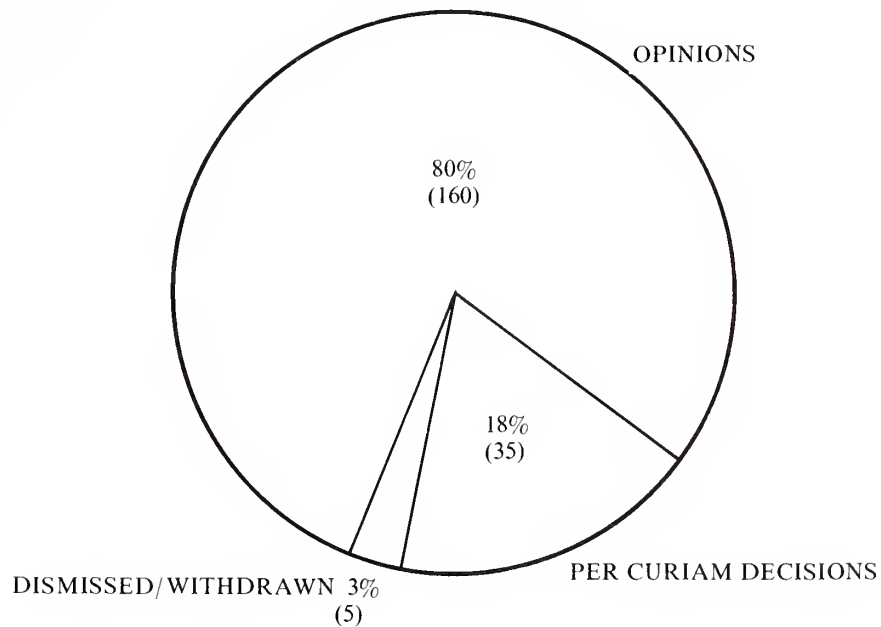
Case Types	Affirmed	Modified	Reversed	Reversed Remanded	Remanded	Total Disposed
Civil domestic	0	1	0	0	0	1
Juvenile	1	0	0	0	0	1
Other civil	18	1	0	0	0	19
Criminal (death sentence)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal (life sentence)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other criminal	8	0	1	1	0	10
Postconviction remedy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative agency decision	3	1	0	0	0	4
Totals	30	3	1	1	0	35

Disposition of Supreme Court Appeals by Dismissal or Withdrawal

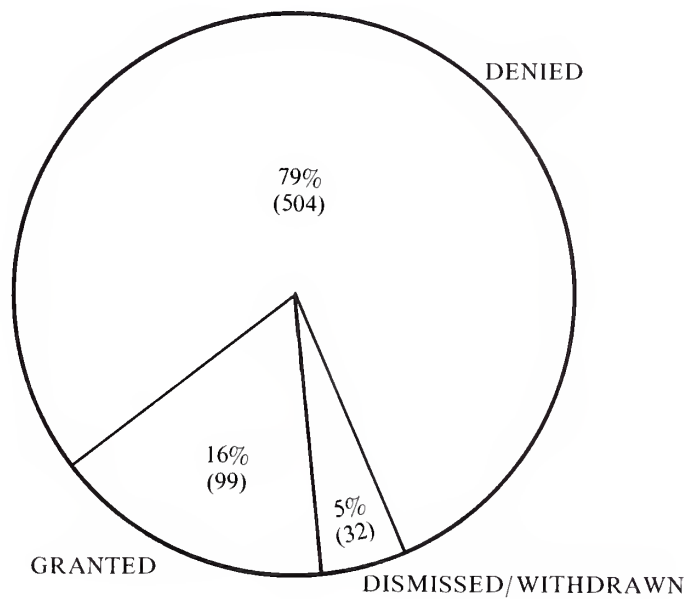
Case Types	Dismissed or Withdrawn
Civil domestic	0
Juvenile	0
Other civil	1
Criminal (death sentence)	0
Criminal (life sentence)	0
Other criminal	4
Post-conviction remedy	0
Administrative agency decision	0
Totals	5

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN FISCAL YEAR 1986-87

**MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF APPEALS IN THE SUPREME COURT
JULY 1, 1986-JUNE 30, 1987**



**TYPE OF DISPOSITION OF PETITIONS FOR REVIEW IN THE SUPREME COURT
JULY 1, 1986-JUNE 30, 1987**



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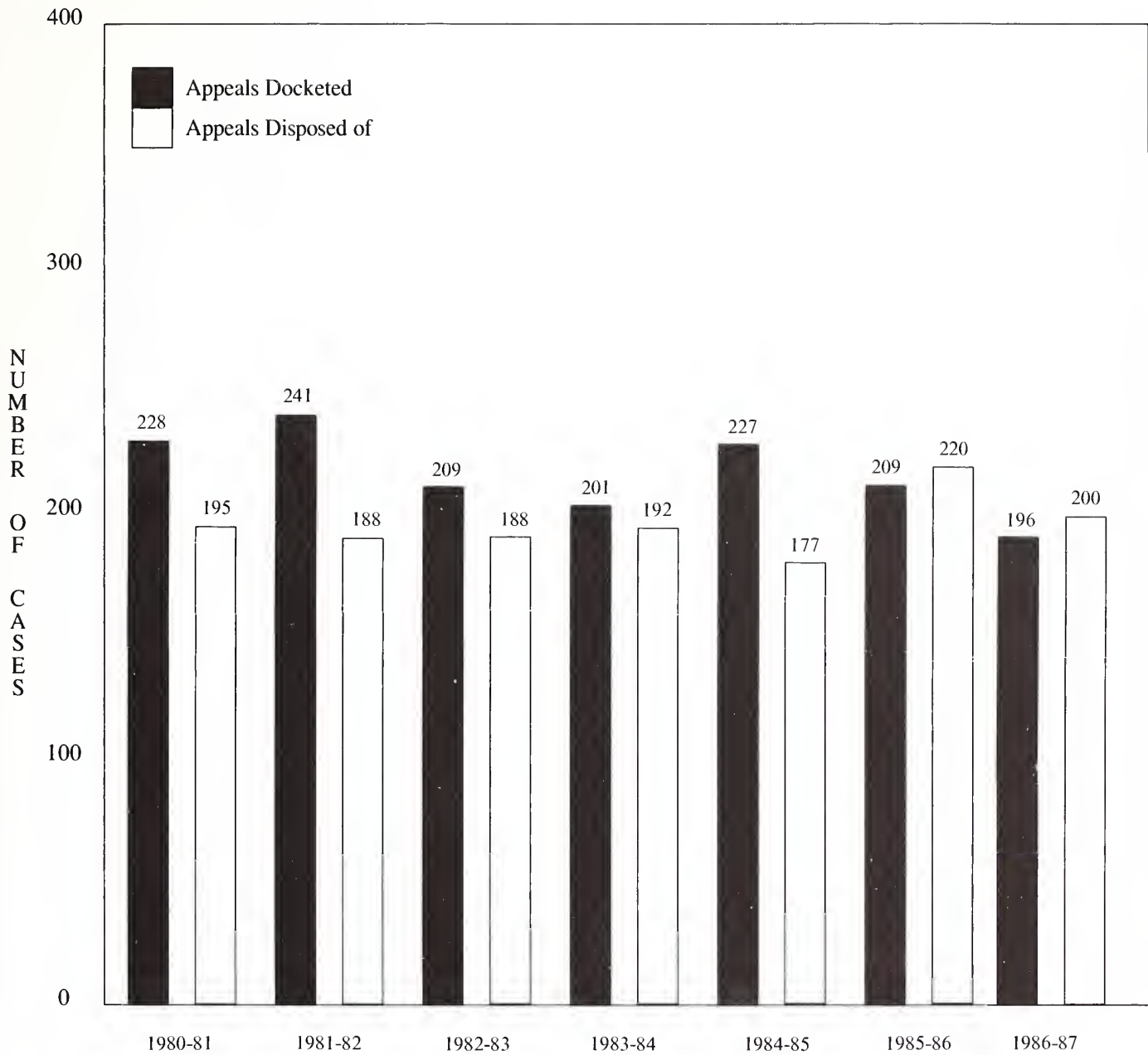
Number of Supreme Court Pending Cases By Status and Age as of June 30, 1987

Case Types	Not Ready for Oral Argument or Submission											
	Awaiting Record* (Pre-Docketing) (from cognizance)		Awaiting Appellant's Brief (from docketing)		Awaiting Appellee's Brief (from apl't brf.)		Ready for Oral Argument (from last brf.)		Pending Decision (Argued) (from date argued)		Total Pending Cases	
	Cases	Days (Ave.)	Cases	Days (Ave.)	Cases	Days (Ave.)	Cases	Days (Ave.)	Cases	Days (Ave.)		
Civil domestic	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	33.0	0	0	2	
Juvenile	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Other civil	0	0	4	43.0	6	23.2	12	31.4	22	62.1	44	
Criminal (death sentence)	11	107.5	11	103.5	2	35.0	3	60.7	8	74.5	35	
Criminal (life sentence)	15	106.4	19	52.6	8	25.1	19	44.9	23	76.8	84	
Other criminal	0	0	1	224.0	3	56.0	4	50.2	8	50.6	16	
Postconviction remedy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Administrative agency decision	0	0	1	49.0	1	12.0	0	0	7	54.3	9	
Total Appeals	26	106.8	36	85.5	20	29.5	40	42.0	68	66.4	190	

*A status of Awaiting Record is applicable only in cases in which the defendant was sentenced to death or life imprisonment, or to direct appeals to the Supreme Court in Utilities Commission general rate cases.

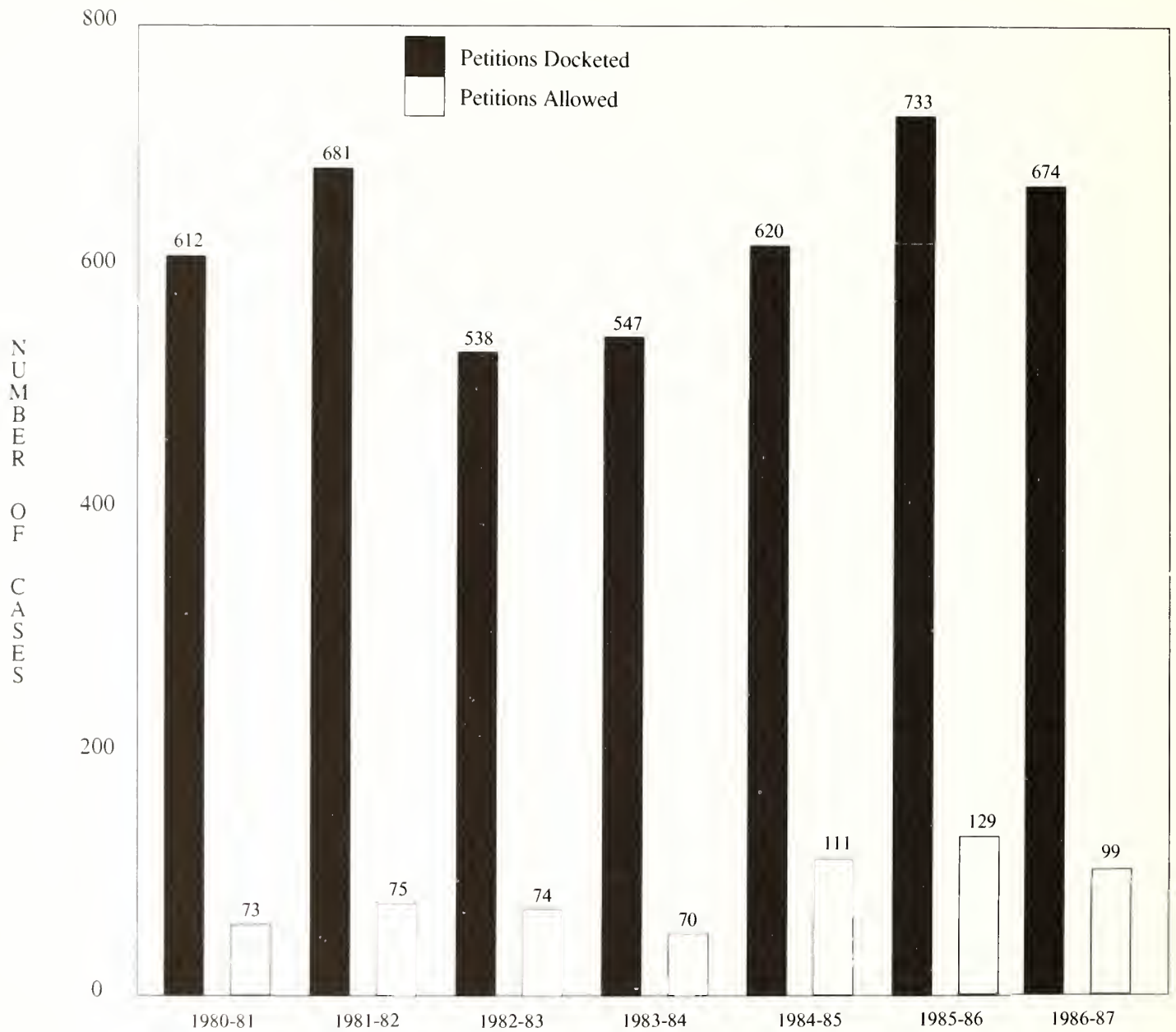
NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT

Appeals Docketed and Disposed of During the Years, 1980-81—1986-87



NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT

Petitions Docketed and Allowed During the Years, 1980-81—1986-87



ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1986-87

Supreme Court Processing Time for Disposed Cases (Total time in days from docketing to decision) July 1, 1986-June 30, 1987

	Number of Cases	(Days) Median	(Days) Mean
Civil domestic	2	—	232.0
Petitions for review granted that became civil domestic appeals	2	—	198.5
Juvenile	0	0	0
Petitions for review granted that became juvenile appeals	3	182	184.7
Other civil	30	217	245.5
Petitions for review granted that became other civil appeals	29	225	235.6
Criminal, defendant sentenced to death	7	606	663.0
Criminal, defendant sentenced to life imprisonment	74	290	315.5
Other criminal	20	200	205.7
Petitions for review granted that became other criminal appeals	18	182	209.8
Petitions for review granted that became postconviction remedy cases	0	0	0
Administrative agency decision	8	190	270.8
Petitions for review granted that became appeals of administrative agency decision	7	262	278.3
Total appeals	200	250	278.3

THE COURT OF APPEALS OF NORTH CAROLINA*

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R.A. HEDRICK

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Clerk
FRANCIS E. DAIL

*As of 30 June 1987

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The Court of Appeals

The 12-judge Court of Appeals is North Carolina's intermediate appellate court; it hears a majority of the appeals originating from the State's trial courts. The Court regularly sits in Raleigh, and it may sit in other locations in the State as authorized by the Supreme Court. Sessions outside of Raleigh have not been regular or frequent. Judges of the Court of Appeals are elected by popular vote for eight-year terms. A Chief Judge for the Court is designated by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and serves in that capacity at the pleasure of the Chief Justice.

Cases are heard by panels of three judges, with the Chief Judge responsible for assigning members of the Court to the four panels. Insofar as practicable, each judge is to be assigned to sit a substantially equal number of times with each other judge. The Chief Judge presides over the panel of which he or she is a member and designates a presiding judge for the other panels.

One member of the Court of Appeals, designated by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, serves as chairman of the Judicial Standards Commission.

Jurisdiction

The bulk of the caseload of the Court of Appeals consists of cases appealed from the trial courts. The Court also hears appeals directly from the Industrial Commission; certain final orders or decisions of the North Carolina State Bar; and the Commissioner of Insurance; the State Board of Contract Appeals; and appeals from certain final orders or decisions of the Property Tax Commission. (Appeals from the decisions of other administrative agencies lie first within the jurisdiction of the superior courts.)

In the event of a recommendation from the Judicial Standards Commission to censure or remove from office a justice of the Supreme Court, the (non-binding) recommendation would be considered by the Chief Judge and the six judges next senior in service on the Court of Appeals (excluding the judge who serves as the Commission's chairman). Such seven-member panel would have sole jurisdiction to act upon the Commission's recommendation.

Expenses of the Court, 1986-87

Operating expenses of the Court of Appeals during the 1986-87 fiscal year totalled \$2,947,010, an increase of 6.7% over 1985-86 expenditures of \$2,763,224. Expenditures for the Court of Appeals during 1986-87 amounted to 2.0% of all General Fund expenditures for operation of the entire Judicial Department during the fiscal year. This percentage share of the total is the same as the Court of Appeals percentage share of the Judicial Department total in the 1985-86 fiscal year.

Case Data, 1986-87

A total of 1,288 appealed cases were filed before the Court of Appeals during the period July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987. A total of 1,352 cases were disposed of during the same period. During 1986-87, a total of 458 petitions and 1,480 motions were filed before the Court of Appeals.

Further detail on the workload of the Court of Appeals is shown in the tables and graphs on the following pages.

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

July 1, 1986-June 30, 1987

Cases on Appeal	Filings	Dispositions
Civil cases appealed from district courts	261	
Civil cases appealed from superior courts	498	
Civil cases appealed from administrative agencies	77	
Criminal cases appealed from superior courts	452	
Total	1,288	1,352
 Petitions		
Allowed		91
Denied		367
Remanded		0
Total	458	458
 Motions		
Allowed		987
Denied		493
Remanded		0
Total	1,480	1,480
 Total Cases on Appeal, Petitions and Motions	3,226	3,316

INVENTORY OF CASES APPEALED TO THE COURT OF APPEALS

July 1, 1986-June 30, 1987

Judicial Division	Judicial District	Cases Filed				Other Appeals	Total Cases Filed	Total Cases Disposed
		Appeals from District Courts	Appeals from Superior Court					
			Civil	Criminal				
I	1	3	7	11	0	21	26	
	2	4	4	8	0	16	23	
	3	6	20	28	0	54	57	
	4	6	14	24	0	44	33	
	5	6	11	19	0	36	30	
	6	0	3	10	0	13	19	
	7	3	11	10	0	24	25	
	8	6	12	8	0	26	28	
II	9	5	4	9	0	18	15	
	10	18	77	19	77	191	191	
	11	6	14	8	0	28	25	
	12	13	8	25	0	46	43	
	13	5	9	11	0	25	21	
	14	16	18	8	0	42	54	
	15A/B*	13	23	18	0	54	53	
	16	3	7	16	0	26	32	
III	17A/B*	4	6	13	0	23	39	
	18	11	40	21	0	72	78	
	19A/B*	10	11	17	0	38	49	
	20	11	19	11	0	31	47	
	21	18	31	18	0	67	70	
	22	9	15	13	0	37	34	
	23	10	6	6	0	22	26	
IV	24	6	7	8	0	21	18	
	25	14	13	20	0	47	42	
	26	22	38	47	0	107	118	
	27A/B*	5	19	20	0	44	49	
	28	11	23	7	0	41	42	
	29	10	13	11	0	34	31	
	30	7	15	8	0	30	23	
Totals		261	498	452	77	1,288	1,352	

*Combined totals for Districts 15A and 15B, Districts 17A and 17B, Districts 19A and 19B, and Districts 27A and 27B are shown. Separate figures for these districts were not available.

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CASES BEFORE THE COURT OF APPEALS

July 1, 1986-June 30, 1987

Judicial Division	Judicial District	Cases Disposed by Written Opinion			Total Cases by Written Opinion	Other Cases Disposed	Total Cases Disposed
		Cases Affirmed	Cases Reversed	Cases Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part			
I	1	17	6	1	24	2	26
	2	19	2	0	48	2	23
	3	40	8	6	54	3	57
	4	29	4	0	33	0	33
	5	32	7	0	39	2	41
	6	13	3	1	17	2	19
	7	17	2	1	20	5	25
	8	22	4	1	27	1	28
II	9	10	2	0	12	3	15
	10	103	53	12	168	23	191
	11	17	5	2	24	1	25
	12	28	9	4	41	2	43
	13	19	1	0	20	1	21
	14	31	9	7	47	7	54
	15A/B*	32	11	4	47	6	53
	16	22	6	2	30	2	32
III	17A/B*	24	12	2	38	1	39
	18	51	18	4	73	5	78
	19A/B*	37	5	2	44	5	49
	20	36	6	2	44	3	47
	21	43	12	8	63	7	70
	22	24	6	2	32	2	34
	23	18	5	1	24	2	26
IV	24	8	8	0	16	2	18
	25	27	8	0	35	7	42
	26	87	13	5	105	13	118
	27A/B*	28	14	3	45	4	49
	28	29	9	4	42	0	42
	29	17	9	1	23	2	25
	30	8	10	2	20	3	23
Totals		888	267	79	1,234	118	1,352

*Combined totals for Districts 15A and 15B, Districts 17A and 17B, Districts 19A and 19B, and Districts 27A and 27B are shown. Separate figures for these districts were not available.

INVENTORY OF MOTIONS AND PETITIONS BEFORE THE COURT OF APPEALS

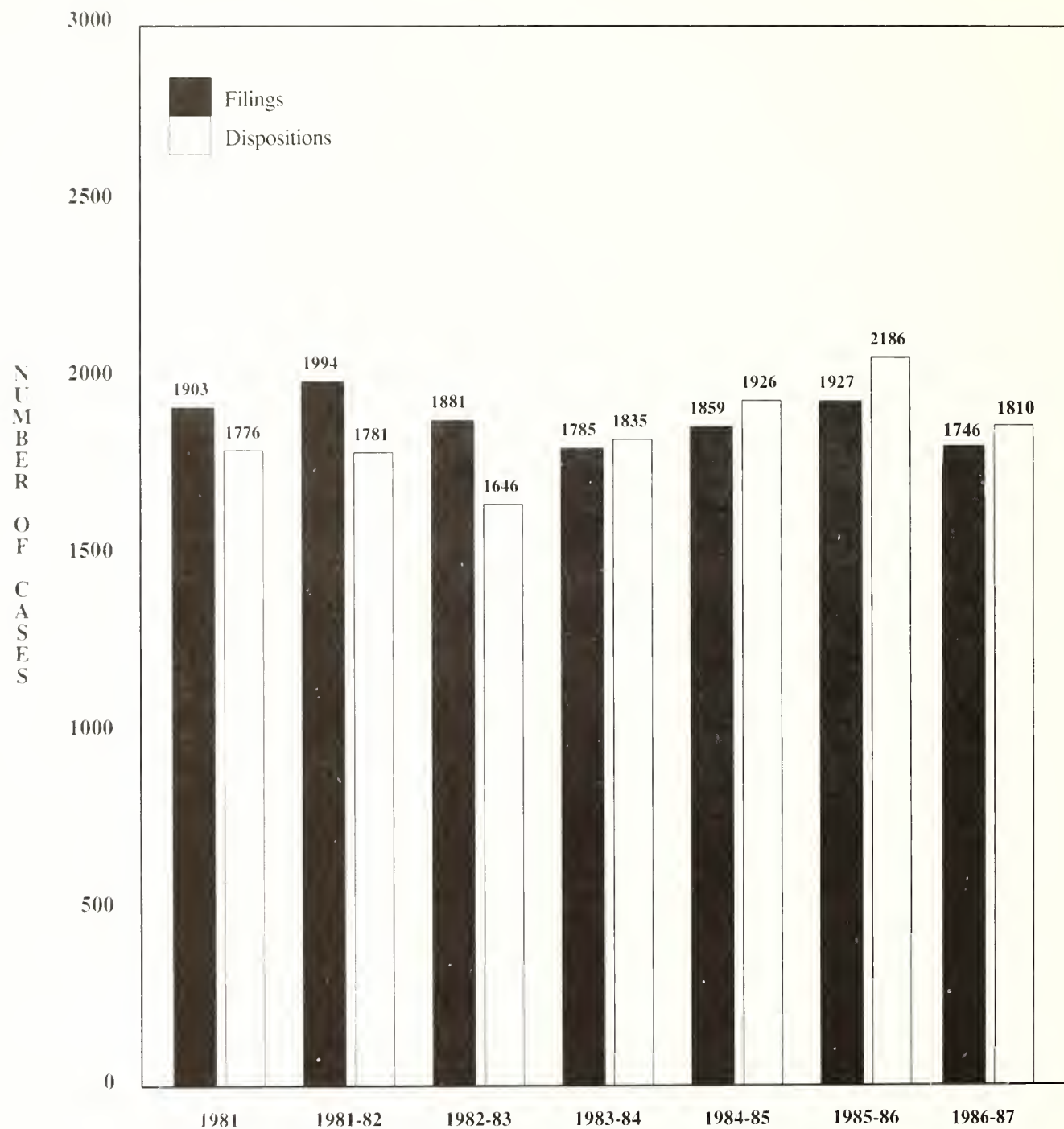
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Judicial Division	Judicial District	Motions Filed	Petitions Filed	Total Filed	Motions Disposed		Petitions Disposed		Total Disposed
					Allowed	Denied	Allowed	Denied	
I	1	12	5	17	10	2	0	5	32
	2	20	13	33	10	10	2	11	33
	3	63	22	85	41	22	3	19	85
	4	42	15	57	23	19	5	10	57
	5	50	18	68	34	16	5	13	68
	6	20	9	29	15	5	1	8	29
	7	45	6	51	31	14	1	5	51
	8	30	11	41	25	5	2	9	41
II	9	26	10	36	18	8	2	8	36
	10	276	53	329	202	74	16	37	329
	11	13	9	22	7	6	2	7	22
	12	37	15	52	26	11	1	14	52
	13	17	3	20	13	4	0	3	20
	14	78	21	99	44	34	5	16	99
	15A/B*	64	12	76	45	19	6	6	76
	16	38	11	49	28	10	2	9	49
	17A/B*	37	11	48	22	15	3	8	48
	18	110	27	137	75	35	3	24	137
	19A/B*	36	28	64	23	13	7	21	64
	20	43	12	55	25	18	1	11	55
III	21	59	24	83	36	23	2	22	83
	22	33	17	50	23	10	3	14	50
	23	19	5	24	16	3	0	5	24
	24	20	8	28	9	11	0	8	28
	25	43	11	54	21	22	3	8	54
	26	103	33	133	70	33	4	29	136
	27A/B*	39	15	54	27	12	8	7	54
IV	28	50	10	60	25	15	2	8	60
	29	27	12	39	14	13	0	12	39
	30	30	12	42	19	11	2	10	42
TOTALS		1,480	458	1,938	987	493	91	367	1,938

*Combined totals for Districts 15A and 15B, Districts 17A and 17B, Districts 19A and 19B, and Districts 27A and 27B are shown. Separate figures for these districts were not available.

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

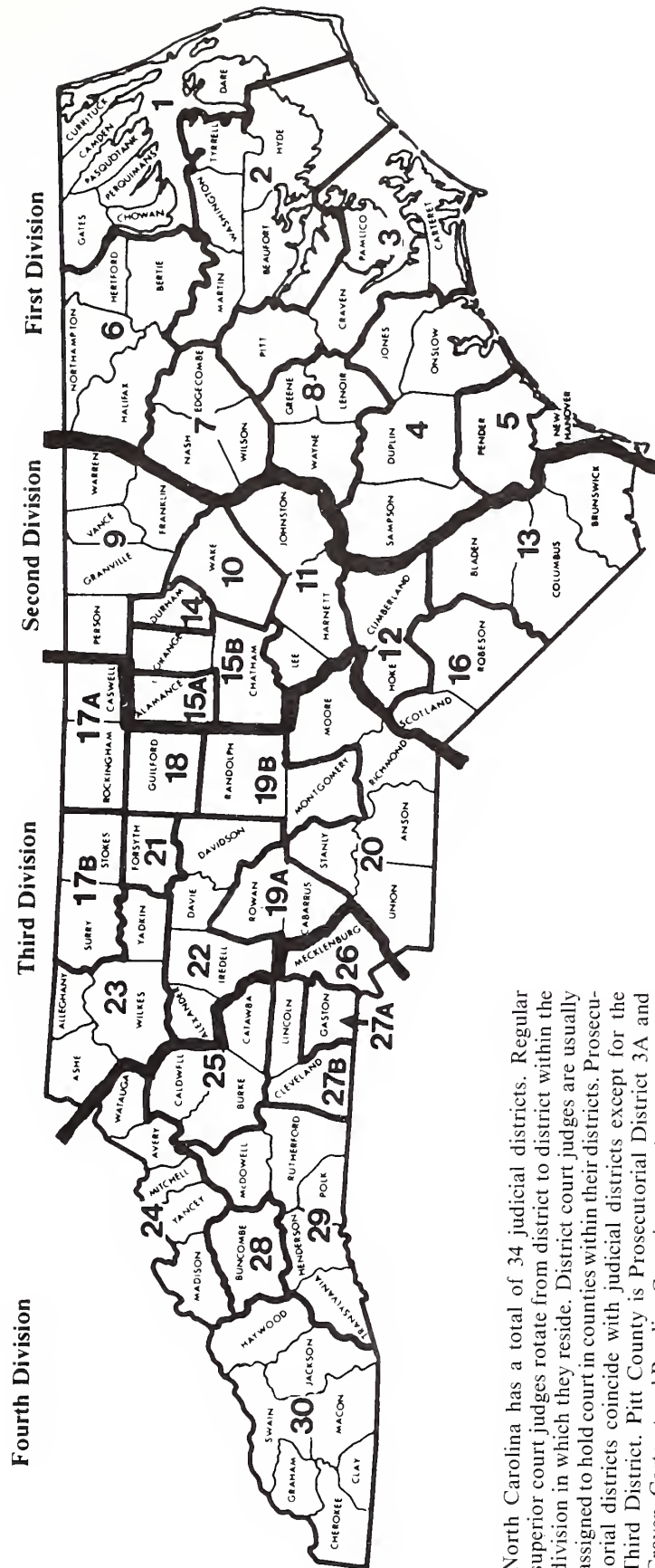
FISCAL YEARS 1981 THROUGH 1986-87



Filings and dispositions in this graph include appealed cases and petitions (not motions) in the Court of Appeals. Dispositions exceeded filings for the past four years.

THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

North Carolina Judicial Districts and Divisions



North Carolina has a total of 34 judicial districts. Regular superior court judges rotate from district to district within the division in which they reside. District court judges are usually assigned to hold court in counties within their districts. Prosecutorial districts coincide with judicial districts except for the Third District. Pitt County is Prosecutorial District 3A and Craven, Carteret and Pamlico Counties comprise Prosecutorial District 3B. Hence, there are 35 prosecutorial districts but only 34 judicial districts.

JUDGES OF SUPERIOR COURT*

(As of June 30, 1987)

FIRST DIVISION

District

- 1 J. Herbert Small, Elizabeth City
Thomas S. Watts, Elizabeth City
- 2 William C. Griffin, Jr., Williamston
- 3 David E. Reid, Jr., Greenville
Herbert O. Phillips, III, Morehead City
- 4 Henry L. Stevens, III, Kenansville
James R. Strickland, Jacksonville
- 5 Bradford Tillery, Wilmington
Napoleon B. Barefoot, Wilmington
- 6 Richard B. Allsbrook, Roanoke Rapids
- 7 Franklin R. Brown, Tarboro
Charles B. Winberry, Rocky Mount
- 8 James D. Llewellyn, Kinston
Paul M. Wright, Goldsboro

SECOND DIVISION

- 9 Robert H. Hobgood, Louisburg
Henry W. Hight, Jr., Henderson
- 10 Edwin S. Preston, Jr., Raleigh
Henry V. Barnette, Jr., Raleigh
Robert L. Farmer, Raleigh
Donald W. Stephens, Raleigh
- 11 Wiley F. Bowen, Dunn
- 12 Darius B. Herring, Jr., Fayetteville
Coy E. Brewer, Jr., Fayetteville
Edwin L. Johnson, Fayetteville
- 13 Giles R. Clark, Elizabethtown
- 14 Thomas H. Lee, Durham
Anthony M. Brannon, Durham
James M. Read, Durham
- 15A Jasper B. Allen, Jr., Burlington
- 15B F. Gordon Battle, Hillsboro
- 16 B. Craig Ellis, Laurinburg

THIRD DIVISION

District

- 17A Melzer A. Morgan, Jr., Wentworth
- 17B James M. Long, Pilot Mountain
- 18 W. Douglas Albright, Greensboro
Edward K. Washington, High Point
Thomas W. Ross, Greensboro
Joseph John, Greensboro
- 19A Thomas W. Seay, Jr., Spencer
James C. Davis, Concord
- 19B Russell G. Walker, Jr., Asheboro
- 20 F. Fetzer Mills, Wadesboro
William H. Helms, Wingate
- 21 William Z. Wood, Winston-Salem
Judson D. DeRamus, Jr., Winston-Salem
William H. Freeman, Winston-Salem
- 22 Robert A. Collier, Jr., Statesville
C. Preston Cornelius, Morresville
- 23 Julius A. Rousseau, Jr., North Wilkesboro

FOURTH DIVISION

- 24 Charles C. Lamm, Jr., Boone
- 25 Forrest A. Ferrell, Hickory
Claude S. Sitton, Morganton
- 26 Frank W. Snapp, Jr., Charlotte
Robert M. Burroughs, Charlotte
Kenneth A. Griffin, Charlotte
Chase B. Saunders, Charlotte
W. Terry Sherrill, Charlotte
- 27A Robert W. Kirby, Cherryville
Robert E. Gaines, Gastonia
- 27B John M. Gardner, Shelby
- 28 Robert D. Lewis, Asheville
C. Walter Allen, Asheville
- 29 Hollis M. Owens, Jr., Rutherfordton
- 30 James U. Downs, Franklin
Janet M. Hyatt, Waynesville

*In districts with more than one resident judge, the senior resident judge is listed first.

SPECIAL JUDGES OF SUPERIOR COURT

James A. Beaty, Jr., Winston-Salem
John B. Lewis, Jr., Farmville
Richard D. Boner, Charlotte
Fred J. Williams, Durham

Donald L. Smith, Raleigh
Marvin K. Gray, Charlotte
Lamar Gudger, Asheville
I. Beverly Lake, Jr., Raleigh

EMERGENCY JUDGES OF SUPERIOR COURT

Henry A. McKinnon, Jr., Lumberton
Samuel E. Britt, Lumberton
James H. Pou Bailey, Raleigh

The Conference of Superior Court Judges (Officers as of June 30, 1987)

Edwin S. Preston, Jr., Raleigh, *President*
James M. Long, Pilot Mountain, *President-Elect*
Thomas H. Lee, Durham, *Vice President*
Edwin L. Johnson, Fayetteville, *Secretary-Treasurer*
Charles Lamm, Boone, David Reid, Greenville
Additional Executive Committee Members

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1986-87

The Superior Courts

North Carolina's superior courts are the general jurisdiction trial courts for the state. In 1986-87, there were 64 "resident" superior court judges elected to office in the 34 judicial districts for eight-year terms by Statewide ballot. In addition, eight "special" superior court judges are appointed by the Governor for four-year terms.

Jurisdiction

The superior court has original jurisdiction in all felony cases and in those misdemeanor cases which originate by grand jury indictment. (Most misdemeanors are tried first in the district court, from which conviction may be appealed to the superior court for trial *de novo* by a jury. No trial by jury is available for criminal cases in district court.) The superior court is the proper court for the trial of civil cases where the amount in controversy exceeds \$10,000, and it has jurisdiction over appeals from administrative agencies except the Industrial Commission, certain rulings of the Commissioner of Insurance, the Board of Bar Examiners of the North Carolina State Bar, the Board of State Contract Appeals, and the Property Tax Commission. Appeals from these agencies lie directly to the North Carolina Court of Appeals. Regardless of the amount in controversy, the original civil jurisdiction of the superior court does not include domestic relations cases, which are heard in the district courts, or probate and estates matters and certain special proceedings heard first by the clerk of superior court. Rulings of the clerk are within the appellate jurisdiction of the superior court.

Administration

The 100 counties of North Carolina were grouped into 34 judicial districts during 1986-87. Each district has at least one resident superior court judge who has certain administrative responsibilities for his home district, such as providing for civil case calendaring procedures. (Criminal case calendars are prepared by the district attorneys.) In districts with more than one resident superior court judge, the judge senior in service on the superior court bench exercises these supervisory powers.

The judicial districts are grouped into four divisions for the rotation of superior court judges, as shown on the map on Page 31. Within the division, a resident superior court judge is required to rotate among the judicial districts, holding court for at least six months in each, then moving on to his next assignment. A special superior court judge may be assigned to hold court in any of the 100 counties. Assignments of all superior court judges are made by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Under the Constitution of North Carolina, at least two sessions (a week each) of superior court are held annually in each of the 100 counties. The vast majority of counties have more than the constitutional minimum of two weeks of superior court annually. Many larger counties have superior court in session about every week in the year.

Expenditures

A total of \$14,924,895 was expended on the operations of the superior courts during the 1986-87 fiscal year. This included the salaries and travel expenses for the 72 superior court judges, and salaries and expenses for court reporters and secretarial staff for superior court judges. The 1986-87 expenditures for the superior courts amounted to 10.1% of total General Fund expenditures for the operations of the entire Judicial Department during the 1986-87 fiscal year.

Caseload

Including both civil and criminal cases, a total of 98,886 cases were filed in the superior courts during 1986-87, an increase of 7,550 cases (8.3%) from the total of 91,336 cases that were filed in 1985-86. There were increases in filings in all case categories: civil cases, felonies, and misdemeanor appeals.

Superior court case dispositions increased from 88,089 in 1985-86 to 96,308 in 1986-87. There were disposition increases in all case categories.

More detailed information on the flow of cases through the superior courts is included in Part IV of this Report.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGES*

(As of June 30, 1987)

District

- 1 John T. Chaffin, Elizabeth City
Grafton G. Beaman, Elizabeth City
John R. Parker, Manteo
- 2 Hallett S. Ward, Washington
Samuel G. Grimes, Washington
James W. Hardison, Wiliamston
- 3 E. Burt Aycock, Jr., Greenville
J. Randal Hunter, New Bern
Willie L. Lumpkin, III, Morehead City
James E. Martin, Bethel
James E. Ragan, Oriental
H. Horton Rountree, Greenville
- 4 Kenneth W. Turner, Rose Hill
William M. Cameron, Jr., Jacksonville
Wayne G. Kimble, Jr., Jacksonville
James N. Martin, Clinton
Stephen M. Williamson, Kenansville
- 5 Gilbert H. Burnett, Wilmington
Jacqueline Morris-Goodson, Wilmington
Charles E. Rice, III, Wilmington
Elton Glenn Tucker, Wilmington
- 6 Nicholas Long, Roanoke Rapids
Harold P. McCoy, Scotland Neck
Robert E. Williford, Lewiston
- 7 George Britt, Tarboro
Allen W. Harrell, Wilson
Quentin T. Sumner, Rocky Mount
Albert S. Thomas, Jr., Wilson
- 8 J. Patrick Exum, Kinston
Kenneth R. Ellis, Fremont
Rodney R. Goodman, Kinston
Arnold O. Jones, Goldsboro
Joseph E. Setzer, Jr., Goldsboro
- 9 Claude W. Allen, Jr., Oxford
Ben U. Allen, Jr., Henderson
J. Larry Senter, Franklinton
Charles W. Wilkinson, Oxford
- 10 George F. Bason, Raleigh
Stafford G. Bullock, Raleigh
William A. Creech, Raleigh
George R. Greene, Raleigh
Joyce A. Hamilton, Raleigh
Jerry W. Leonard, Raleigh
Fred M. Morelock, Raleigh
Louis W. Payne, Jr., Raleigh
Russell G. Sherrill, III, Raleigh

District

- 11 Elton C. Pridgen, Smithfield
William Christian, Sanford
Edward H. McCormick, Lillington
Owen H. Willis, Jr., Dunn
- 12 Sol. G. Cherry, Fayetteville
John S. Hair, Jr., Fayetteville
Lacy S. Hair, Fayetteville
Anna E. Keever, Fayetteville
Warren L. Pate, Raeford
Patricia Timmons-Goodson, Fayetteville
- 13 William C. Gore, Jr., Whiteville
Dewey J. Hooks, Jr., Whiteville
Jerry A. Jolly, Tabor City
David G. Wall, Elizabethtown
- 14 David Q. LaBarre, Durham
Richard Chaney, Durham
Orlando F. Hudson, Jr., Durham
Carolyn D. Johnson, Durham
Kenneth C. Titus, Durham
- 15A W. S. Harris, Jr., Graham
Spencer B. Ennis, Burlington
James K. Washburn, Burlington
- 15B Stanley Peele, Chapel Hill
Lowry M. Betts, Pittsboro
Patricia S. Hunt, Chapel Hill
- 16 John S. Gardner, Lumberton
Adelaide G. Behan, Lumberton
Charles G. McLean, Lumberton
Herbert L. Richardson, Lumberton
- 17A Peter M. McHugh, Reidsville
Robert R. Blackwell, Reidsville
Philip W. Allen, Yanceyville
- 17B Jerry Cash Martin, Mount Airy
Clarence W. Carter, King
- 18 Paul T. Williams, Greensboro
Sherry F. Alloway, Greensboro
Robert E. Bencini, Jr., High Point
William L. Daisy, Greensboro
Edmund Lowe, High Point
Lawrence C. McSwain, Greensboro
J. Bruce Morton, Greensboro
William A. Vaden, Greensboro
- 19A Frank M. Montgomery, Salibury
Robert M. Davis, Salisbury
Adam C. Grant, Jr., Concord
Clarence E. Horton, Jr., Kannapolis

*The Chief District Court Judge for each district is listed first.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGES*

(As of June 30, 1987)

District

- 19B Richard M. Toomes, Asheboro
William M. Neely, Asheboro
- 20 Donald R. Huffman, Wadesboro
Michael E. Beale, Southern Pines
Ronald W. Burris, Albemarle
Kenneth W. Honneycutt, Monroe
Tanya T. Wallace, Carthage
- 21 Abner Alexander, Winston-Salem
Lorretta C. Biggs, Clemmons
James A. Harrill, Jr., Winston-Salem
Roland H. Hayes, Winston-Salem
Robert Kason Keiger, Winston-Salem
William B. Reingold, Winston-Salem
- 22 Lester P. Martin, Jr., Mocksville
Samuel A. Cathey, Statesville
George T. Fuller, Lexington
Kimberly T. Harbinson, Taylorsville
Robert W. Johnson, Statesville
- 23 Samuel L. Osborne, Wilkesboro
Edgar B. Gregory, Wilkesboro
Michael E. Helms, Wilkesboro
- 24 Robert H. Lacey, Newland
Charles P. Ginn, Boone
R. Alexander Lyerly, Banner Elk
- 25 L. Oliver Noble, Jr., Hickory
Ronald E. Bogle, Hickory
Stewart L. Cloer, Hickory
Jonathan L. Jones, Hickory
Timothy S. Kincaid, Newton

District

- 26 James E. Lanning, Charlotte
Marilyn R. Bissell, Charlotte
L. Stanley Brown, Charlotte
Daphene L. Cantrell, Charlotte
Richard A. Elkins, Charlotte
Shirley L. Fulton, Charlotte
Resa L. Harris, Charlotte
Robert P. Johnston, Charlotte
William G. Jones, Charlotte
Theodore P. Matus, II, Charlotte
William H. Scarborough, Charlotte
- 27A Lawrence B. Langson, Gastonia
Berlin H. Carpenter, Jr., Gastonia
Harley B. Gaston, Jr., Belmont
Timothy L. Patti, Gastonia
Catherine C. Stevens, Gastonia
- 27B George W. Hamrick, Shelby
James T. Bowen, Lincolnton
John K. Fonvielle, Shelby
- 28 Earl J. Fowler, Jr., Arden
Gary S. Cash, Fletcher
Robert L. Harrell, Asheville
Peter L. Roda, Asheville
- 29 Robert T. Gash, Brevard
Loto J. Greenlee, Marion
Zoro J. Guice, Jr., Hendersonville
Thomas N. Hix, Hendersonville
- 30 John J. Snow, Jr., Murphy
Steven J. Bryant, Bryson City
Danny E. Davis, Waynesville

*The Chief District Court Judge for each district is listed first.

The Association of District Court Judges (Officers as of June 30, 1987)

Earl J. Fowler, Arden, *President*
Sol G. Cherry, Fayetteville, *Vice President*
Frank M. Montgomery, Salisbury, *Secretary-Treasurer*
George M. Britt, Tarboro
Samuel A. Cathey, Statesville
W.S. Harris, Graham
L. Oliver Noble, Jr., Hickory
Additional Executive Committee Members

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1986-87

The District Courts

North Carolina's district courts are trial courts with original jurisdiction of the overwhelming majority of the cases handled by the State's court system. There were 151 district court judges serving in 34 judicial districts during 1986-87. These judges are elected to four-year terms by the voters of their respective districts.

A total of 637 magistrate positions were authorized as of June 30, 1987. Of this number, about 100 positions were specified as part-time. Magistrates are appointed by the senior resident superior court judge from nominations submitted by the clerk of superior court of their county, and they are supervised by the chief district court judge of their district.

Jurisdiction

The jurisdiction of the district court extends to virtually all misdemeanor cases, probable cause hearings in most felony cases, all juvenile proceedings, involuntary commitments and recommitments to mental hospitals, and domestic relations cases. Effective September 1, 1986, the General Assembly decriminalized many minor traffic offenses. Such offenses, previously charged as misdemeanors, are now "infractions," defined as non-criminal violations of law not punishable by imprisonment. The district court division has original jurisdiction for all infraction cases. The district courts have concurrent jurisdiction with the superior courts in general civil cases, but the district courts are the proper courts for the trial of civil cases where the amount in controversy is \$10,000 or less. Upon the plaintiff's request, a civil case in which the amount in controversy is \$1,500 or less, may be designated a "small claims" case and assigned by the chief district court judge to a magistrate for hearing. Magistrates are empowered to try worthless check criminal cases when the value of the check does not exceed \$500. In addition, they may accept written appearances, waivers of trial, and pleas of guilty in such worthless check cases when the amount of the check is \$500 or less, the offender has made restitution, and the offender has fewer than four previous worthless check convictions. Magistrates may accept waivers of appearance and pleas of guilty in misdemeanor or infraction cases involving traffic, alcohol, boating, hunting and fishing violation cases, for which a uniform schedule of fines has been adopted by the Conference of Chief District Judges. Magistrates also conduct initial hearings to fix conditions of release for arrested defendants, and they are empowered to issue arrest and search warrants.

Administration

A chief district judge is appointed for each judicial district by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court from among the elected judges in the respective districts. Subject to the Chief Justice's general supervision, each chief judge exercises administrative supervision and authority over the operation of the district courts and magistrates in

his district. Each chief judge is responsible for: scheduling sessions of district court and assigning judges; supervising the calendaring of noncriminal cases; assigning matters to magistrates; making arrangements for court reporting and jury trials in civil cases; and supervising the discharge of clerical functions in the district courts.

The chief district court judges meet in conference at least once a year upon the call of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Among other matters, this annual conference adopts a uniform schedule of traffic offenses and fines for their violation for use by magistrates and clerks of court in accepting defendants' waivers of appearance and guilty pleas.

The Conference of Chief District Court Judges (Officers as of June 30, 1987)

George M. Britt, Tarboro, *President*

Robert H. Lacey, Newland, *Vice President*

Frank M. Montgomery, Salisbury, *Secretary-Treasurer*

Expenditures

Total expenditures for the operation of the district courts in 1986-87 amounted to \$26,908,723. This is an increase of 11.7% over 1985-86 expenditures of \$24,098,806. Included in this total are the personnel costs of court reporters and secretaries as well as the personnel costs of the 151 district court judges and approximately 637 magistrates. The 1986-87 total is 18.1% of the General Fund expenditures for the operation of the entire Judicial Department, about the same percentage share of total Judicial Department expenditures that the district courts took for the 1985-86 fiscal year.

Caseload

During 1986-87 the statewide total number of district court filings (civil and criminal) increased 186,664 (11.1%) over the total number reported for 1985-86. Not including juvenile proceedings and mental hospital commitment hearings, the filing total in 1986-87 was 1,868,965. Most of this increase is attributable to increases in criminal motor vehicle and infraction filings. Considering criminal motor vehicle and infraction cases together (since almost all infraction cases were criminal motor vehicle cases in prior years), there was an increase of 136,320 cases (16.2%) above the number of criminal motor vehicle cases filed in 1985-86. Filings of criminal non-motor vehicle cases increased by 22,292 (5.0%), and filings of civil magistrate cases increased by 21,411 (9.5%) above the numbers of cases filed in these categories in 1985-86.

More detailed information on district court civil and criminal caseloads and on juvenile case activity is contained in Part IV of this Report.

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS

(As of June 30, 1987)

District

- 1 H. P. WILLIAMS, JR., Elizabeth City
- 2 MITCHELL D. NORTON, Washington
- 3A THOMAS D. HAIGWOOD, Greenville
- 3B WILLIAM D. McFADYEN, New Bern
- 4 WILLIAM H. ANDREWS, Jacksonville
- 5 JERRY L. SPIVEY, Wilmington
- 6 DAVID H. BEARD, JR., Murfreesboro
- 7 HOWARD S. BONEY, JR., Tarboro
- 8 DONALD JACOBS, Goldsboro
- 9 DAVID R. WATERS, Oxford
- 10 C. COLON WILLOUGHBY, JR., Raleigh
- 11 JOHN W. TWISDALE, Smithfield
- 12 EDWARD W. GRANNIS, JR., Fayetteville
- 13 MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Whiteville
- 14 RONALD L. STEPHENS, Durham
- 15A STEVE A. BALOG, Graham
- 15B CARL R. FOX, Carrboro
- 16 JOE FREEMAN BRITT, Lumberton

District

- 17A THURMAN B. HAMPTON, Wentworth
- 17B HAROLD D. BOWMAN, Dobson
- 18 HORACE M. KIMEL, JR., Greensboro
- 19A JAMES E. ROBERTS, Kannapolis
- 19B GARLAND N. YATES, Asheboro
- 20 CARROLL LOWDER, Monroe
- 21 W. WARREN SPARROW, Winston-Salem
- 22 H. W. ZIMMERMAN, JR., Lexington
- 23 MICHAEL A. ASHBURN, North Wilkesboro
- 24 JAMES THOMAS RUSHER, Marshall
- 25 ROBERT E. THOMAS, Newton
- 26 PETER S. GILCHRIST, Charlotte
- 27A CALVIN B. HAMRICK, Gastonia
- 27B WILLIAM C. YOUNG, Shelby
- 28 ROBERT W. FISHER, Asheville
- 29 ALAN C. LEONARD, Rutherfordton
- 30 ROY H. PATTON, JR., Waynesville

The Conference of District Attorneys (Executive Committee as of June 30, 1987)

Edward W. Grannis, *President*
Michael F. Easley, *President-Elect*
Ronald L. Stephens, *Vice President*
Donald M. Jacobs, *First Division Representative*
David R. Waters, *Second Division Representative*
H.W. Zimmerman, *Third Division Representative*
James T. Rusher, *Fourth Division Representative*

The District Attorneys Association (Officers as of June 30, 1987)

Edward W. Grannis, Fayetteville, *President*
Michael F. Easley, Bolivia, *Vice President*
Ronald L. Stephens, Durham, *Vice President for
Legislative Affairs*
Jean Elizabeth Powell, Fayetteville, *Secretary-
Treasurer*

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1986-87

The District Attorneys

The State is divided into 35 prosecutorial districts which, with one exception, correspond to the 34 judicial districts. By act of the 1981 Session of the General Assembly, the 3rd Judicial District is divided into two separate prosecutorial districts, Prosecutorial Districts 3A and 3B, effective October 1, 1981. Prosecutorial District 3A consists of Pitt County, and Prosecutorial District 3B is comprised of Craven, Carteret, and Pamlico (G.S. 7A-60). A district attorney is elected by the voters in each of the 35 districts for four-year terms.

Duties

The district attorney represents the State in all criminal actions brought in the superior and district courts in his district, and is responsible for ensuring that infraction cases are prosecuted efficiently. In addition to his prosecutorial functions, the district attorney is responsible for calendaring criminal cases for trial.

Resources

Each district attorney may employ on a full-time basis the number of assistant district attorneys authorized by statute for his district. As of June 30, 1987, a total of 222 assistant district attorneys were authorized for the 35 prosecutorial districts. The district attorney of District 26 (Mecklenburg County) had the largest staff (19 assistants) and the district attorney of eight judicial districts (15A, 15B, 17A, 17B, 19B, 23, 24, 27B) had the smallest staff (three assistants).

Each district attorney is authorized to employ an administrative assistant to aid in preparing cases for trial and to expedite the criminal court docket. The district attorney in 18 of the 35 districts is authorized to employ an investigational assistant who aids in the investigation of cases prior to trial. All district attorneys are authorized to employ a victim and witness coordinator.

Expenditures

A total of \$16,980,015 was expended in 1986-87 for the 35 offices of district attorney. In addition, a total of \$93,520 was expended for the District Attorney's Conference and its staff.

1986-1987 Caseload

A total of 83,478 criminal cases were filed in the superior courts during 1986-87, consisting of 51,210 felony cases and 32,268 misdemeanor appeals from the district courts. The total number of filings in the superior courts (felonies and misdemeanors) in the previous year was 76,179. The increase of 7,299 cases in 1986-87 is a 9.6% increase over the 1985-86 total.

Total criminal cases disposed of by the superior courts in 1986-87 amounted to 81,136. There were 48,890 felony

dispositions; the number of misdemeanor cases disposed of was 32,246. Compared with 1985-86, total criminal case dispositions increased by 7,136 over the 74,000 cases disposed of in that fiscal year.

The median ages of 1986-87 criminal cases at disposition in the superior courts were 91 days for felony cases and 71 days for misdemeanor appeals. In 1985-86, the median age of felony cases at disposition was 86 days, and the median age at disposition for misdemeanor appeals was 67 days.

Dispositions by jury trial in the superior courts, for felonies and misdemeanors, totalled 1,950 cases, or 4.0% of total criminal case dispositions in the superior courts. This was a decrease from jury dispositions of 3,306 (5.0% of total dispositions) during the 1985-86 year. As is evident, a very small proportion of all criminal cases utilize the great proportion of superior court time and resources required to handle the criminal caseload.

By contrast, in 1986-87 a majority (25,293 or 51.8%) of criminal case dispositions in superior courts were processed on submission of guilty pleas, not requiring a trial. This was close to the 53.5% of guilty plea dispositions reported for 1985-86.

"Dismissal by district attorney" accounted for a significant percentage of all dispositions during 1986-87; a total of 14,919 cases, or 30.6% of all dispositions. This proportion is comparable to that recorded for prior years. Many of the dismissals involved the situation of two or more cases pending against the same defendant, resulting in a plea bargain agreement where the defendant pleads guilty to some charges in exchange for a dismissal of others.

There was a decrease in the number of "Speedy Trial Act" dismissals in superior courts, from 54 in 1985-86 to 48 in 1986-87.

The total number of criminal cases disposed of in the superior courts was 2,342 cases less than the total number of cases filed in 1986-87. Consequently, the number of pending criminal cases in superior court increased from 25,233 at the beginning of the fiscal year to a total at year's end of 27,575, an increase of 9.3%.

The median age of pending felony cases in the superior courts increased from 83 days on June 30, 1986 to 88 days on June 30, 1987. Misdemeanor appeals also recorded an increase, with the median age of pending misdemeanor appeals increasing from 74 days on June 30, 1986 to 83 days on June 30, 1987.

Consideration of district court criminal caseloads is affected by the existence of a new case category in the district courts, "infractions." Effective September 1, 1986, many minor traffic offenses were decriminalized and thereafter charged as infractions, defined as non-criminal violations of law not punishable by imprisonment. Although non-criminal, district attorneys are responsible for the prosecution of these cases.

Nearly all infraction cases were criminal motor vehicle cases in prior years. Therefore, for purposes of comparing

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current to prior year criminal caseloads, motor vehicle filings and dispositions in prior years are compared to filings and dispositions of motor vehicle cases plus infractions in 1986-87.

In the district courts, a total of 1,443,619 criminal cases and infractions were filed during 1986-87. This total consisted of 488,494 motor vehicle criminal cases, 486,994 infraction cases, and 468,131 non-motor vehicle criminal cases. A comparison of total filings in 1986-87 with total filings in 1985-86 (1,285,007) reveals an increase in district court criminal (and infraction) filing activity of 158,612 cases or 12.3%. Filings of non-motor vehicle cases rose by 22,292 cases (5.0%), from a total of 445,839 cases in 1985-86 to 468,131 cases in 1986-87. In 1985-86, 839,168 motor vehicle cases were filed, compared to 975,488 motor vehicle and infraction cases filed during 1986-87, an increase of 136,320 cases (16.2%).

Total dispositions of motor vehicle and infraction cases in the district courts amounted to 925,997 cases during 1986-87 (527,344 motor vehicle dispositions and 398,653 infraction dispositions). As in prior years, a substantial portion of such cases are disposed by waiver of appearance and entry of pleas of guilty (or "responsibility" in infraction cases) before a clerk or magistrate. During 1986-87, 497,631 (53.7%) of motor vehicle and infraction cases were disposed by waiver. This substantial number of cases did not, of course, require action by the district attorneys' offices and should not be regarded as having been a part of the district attorneys' caseload. The remaining 428,366 infraction and motor vehicle cases (327,930 infraction and 100,436 motor vehicle cases) were disposed by means other than waiver. This balance was 69,427

cases (or 19.3%) more than the 358,939 non-waiver motor vehicle dispositions in 1985-86. (The clerks of court do not report motor vehicle criminal cases or infractions by case file number to the Administrative Office of the Courts. Only summary total number of filings and dispositions are reported. Therefore, it is not possible by computer-processing to obtain pending case data for the motor vehicle criminal case or infraction case categories.)

With respect to non-motor vehicle criminal case dispositions, a total of 456,699 such cases were disposed of in district courts in 1986-87. As with superior court criminal cases, the most frequent method of disposition was by entry of guilty plea; the next most frequent was dismissal by the district attorney. Some 160,024 cases, or 35.0% of the dispositions were by guilty pleas. An additional 124,879 cases, or 27.3% of the total were disposed of by prosecutor dismissal. The remaining cases were disposed of by waiver (11.9%), trial (9.4%), as a felony probable cause matter (9.3%), or by other means (7.1%).

During 1986-87, the median age at disposition of non-motor vehicle criminal cases was 29 days, compared with 28 days at disposition for 1985-86.

Total non-motor vehicle criminal dispositions were 11,432 cases less than the total of such filings during 1986-87. The number of non-motor vehicle criminal cases pending at year's end was 86,860, compared with a total of 75,428 at the beginning of the year, an increase of 11,432 (15.2%) in the number of pending cases. The median age for pending non-motor vehicle cases rose from 50 days on June 30, 1986 to 54 days on June 30, 1987.

Additional information on the criminal caseloads in superior and district courts is included in Part IV of this Report.

CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

(As of June 30, 1987)

COUNTY	CLERK OF COURT	COUNTY	CLERK OF COURT
Alamance	Louise B. Wilson	Johnston	Will R. Crocker
Alexander	Seth Chapman	Jones	Ronald H. Metts
Alleghany	Rebecca J. Gambill	Lee	Lucille H. York
Anson	R. Frank Hightower	Lenoir	Claude C. Davis
Ashe	Jerry L. Roten	Lincoln	Pamela C. Huskey
Avery	Robert F. Taylor	Macon	Lois S. Morris
Beaufort	Thomas S. Payne, III	Madison	James W. Cody
Bertie	John Tyler	Martin	Phyllis G. Pearson
Bladen	Hilda H. Coleman	McDowell	Ruth B. Williams
Brunswick	K. Gregory Bellamy	Mecklenburg	Robert M. Blackburn
Buncombe	J. Ray Elingburg	Mitchell	Linda D. Woody
Burke	Major A. Joines	Montgomery	Charles M. Johnson
Cabarrus	Estus B. White	Moore	Rachel H. Comer
Caldwell	Jeanette Turner	Nash	Rachel M. Joyner
Camden	Catherine W. McCoy	New Hanover	Louise D. Rehder
Carteret	Darlene Leonard	Northampton	R. Jennings White, Jr.
Caswell	Janet H. Cobb	Onslow	Everitte Barbee
Catawba	Phyllis B. Hicks	Orange	Shirley L. James
Chatham	Janice Oldham	Pamlico	Mary Jo Potter
Cherokee	Rose Mary Crooke	Pasquotank	Frances W. Thompson
Chowan	Marjorie H. Hollowell	Pender	Frances D. Basden
Clay	James H. McClure	Perquimans	W.J. Ward
Cleveland	Ruth S. Dedmon	Person	W. Thomas Humphries
Columbus	Lacy R. Thompson	Pitt	Sandra Gaskins
Craven	Dorothy Pate	Polk	Judy P. Arledge
Cumberland	George T. Griffin	Randolph	Lynda B. Skeen
Currituck	Sheila R. Doxey	Richmond	Catherine S. Wilson
Dare	Betty Mann	Robeson	Dixie I. Barrington
Davidson	Martha S. Nicholson	Rockingham	Frankie C. Williams
Davie	Delores C. Jordan	Rowan	Francis Glover
Duplin	John A. Johnson	Rutherford	Keith H. Melton
Durham	James Leo Carr	Sampson	Charlie T. McCullen
Edgecombe	Curtis Weaver	Scotland	C. Whitfield Gibson, Jr.
Forsyth	Frances P. Storey	Stanly	David R. Fisher
Franklin	Ralph S. Knott	Stokes	Pauline Kirkman
Gaston	Betty B. Jenkins	Surry	David J. Beal
Gates	Terry L. Riddick	Swain	Sara Robinson
Graham	O.W. Hooper, Jr.	Transylvania	Marian M. McMahon
Granville	Mary Ruth C. Nelms	Tyrrell	Nathan T. Everett
Greene	Joyce L. Harrell	Union	Nola H. McCollum
Guilford	Barbara G. Washington	Vance	Lucy Longmire
Halifax	Ellen C. Neathery	Wake	John M. Kennedy
Harnett	Georgia Lee Brown	Warren	Richard E. Hunter, Jr.
Haywood	William G. Henry	Washington	Timothy L. Spear
Henderson	Thomas H. Thompson	Watauga	John T. Bingham
Hertford	Richard T. Vann	Wayne	David B. Brantly
Hoke	Juanita Edmund	Wilkes	Wayne Roope
Hyde	Lenora R. Bright	Wilson	Nora H. Hargrove
Iredell	Angelia T. Roberts	Yadkin	Harold J. Long
Jackson	Frank Watson, Jr.	Yancey	F. Warren Hughes

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The Clerks of Superior Court

A Clerk of Superior Court is elected for a four-year term by the voters in each of North Carolina's 100 counties. The Clerk has jurisdiction to hear and decide special proceedings and is, *ex officio*, judge of probate, in addition to performing record-keeping and administrative functions for both the superior and district courts of his county.

Jurisdiction

The original jurisdiction of the clerk of superior court includes the probate of wills and administration of decedents' estates. It also includes such "special proceedings" as adoptions, condemnations of private property under the public's right of eminent domain, proceedings to establish boundaries, foreclosures, and certain proceedings to administer the estates of minors and incompetent adults. The right of appeal from the clerks' judgments in such cases lies to the superior court.

The clerk of superior court is also empowered to issue search warrants and arrest warrants, subpoenas, and other process necessary to execute the judgments entered in the superior and district courts of his county. For certain misdemeanor criminal offenses, the clerk is authorized to accept defendants' waiver of appearance and plea of guilty and to impose a fine in accordance with a schedule established by the Conference of Chief District Court Judges.

Administration

The clerk of superior court performs administrative duties for both the superior and district courts of his county. Among these duties are the maintenance of court records and indexes, the control and accounting of funds, and the furnishing of information to the Administrative Office of the Courts.

In most counties, the clerk continues to perform certain functions related to preparation of civil case calendars, and in many counties, the clerk's staff assists the district attorney in preparing criminal case calendars as well. Policy and oversight responsibility for civil case calendaring is vested in the State's senior resident superior court judges and chief district court judges. However, day-to-day civil calendar preparation is the clerk's responsibility in all districts except those served by trial court administrators.

Expenditures

A total of \$46,066,578 was expended in 1986-87 for the operation of the 100 clerk of superior court offices. In addition to the salaries and other expenses of the clerks and their staffs, this total includes expenditures for jurors' fees, and witness expenses.

Total expenditures for clerks' offices in 1986-87 amounted to 31.1% of the General Fund expenditures for the operations of the entire Judicial Department.

1986-87 Caseload

During 1986-87, estate case filings totalled 43,285. This was an increase over the 41,593 cases filed in 1985-86. Estate case dispositions totalled 42,070 cases in 1986-87, or 5.8% more than the previous year's total of 39,765.

A total of 39,286 special proceedings was filed before the 100 clerks of superior court in 1986-87. This is an increase of 4,005 cases (11.4%) from the 35,281 filings in the previous fiscal year. Special proceedings dispositions totalled 32,309 cases, or 1.8% more than the previous year's total of 31,735.

The clerks of superior court are also responsible for handling the records of all case filings and dispositions in the superior and district courts. The total number of superior court case filings during the 1986-87 year was 98,886 and the total number of district court filings, not including juvenile proceedings and mental hospital commitment hearings, was 1,682,321.

More detailed information on the estates and special proceedings caseloads is included in Part IV of this Report.

Association of Clerks of Superior Court (Officers as of June 30, 1987)

John Johnson, Duplin County,
President

Frances W. Thompson, Pasquotank County
First Vice President

James L. Carr, Durham County
Second Vice President

Judy Arledge, Polk County
Secretary

Ray Elingburg, Buncombe County
Treasurer

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Juvenile Services Division

The Juvenile Services Division of the Administrative Office of the Courts provides intake, probation and aftercare services to juveniles who are before the District Courts for delinquent matters, *i.e.*, violations of the criminal code, including motor vehicle violations; and for undisciplined matters, such as running away from home, being truant, and being beyond the parents' disciplinary control.

Intake is the screening of complaints alleging delinquent or undisciplined behavior by children, to determine whether petitions should be filed. During the 1986-87 year a total of 27,725 complaints were brought to the attention of intake counselors. Of this number, 17,956 (64.8%) were approved for filing, and 9,769 (35.2%) were not approved for filing.

Probation and aftercare refer to supervision of children in their own communities. Probation is authorized by judicial order. Aftercare service is provided for juveniles after their release from a training school. (Protective supervision is also a form of court-ordered supervision within the community; and this service is combined with probation and aftercare.)

In 1986-87 a total of 16,512 juveniles were supervised in the probation and aftercare program.

Expenditures

The Juvenile Services Division is State-funded. The expenditures for fiscal year 1986-87 totalled \$10,513,864. This was an increase of 8.3% over the 1985-86 expenditures. The 1986-87 expenditures amounted to 7.2% of all General Fund expenditures for the operation of the entire Judicial Department, close to the same percentage share of total Judicial Department expenditures for the Division as in the previous fiscal year.

Administration

The Administrator of the Juvenile Services Division is appointed by the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts. A chief court counselor is appointed for each judicial district by the Administrator of the Juvenile Services Division, with the approval of the Chief District Court Judge and the Administrative Officer of the Courts. Subject to the Administrator's general supervision, each chief court counselor exercises administrative supervision over the operation of the court counseling services in the respective districts.

Juvenile Services Division Staff (As of June 30, 1987)

Thomas A. Danek, *Administrator*

Nancy C. Patteson, *Assistant Administrator*

Edward F. Taylor, *Assistant Administrator*

John T. Wilson, *Assistant Administrator*

Rex B. Yates, *Assistant Administrator*

Jennie E. Cannon, *Education Coordinator*

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Juvenile Services Division (As of June 30, 1987)

Judicial District	Chief Court Counselors	Judicial District	Chief Court Counselors
1	Robert Hendrix	16	Robert Hughes
2	Joseph Paul	17A and 17B	Martha Lauten
3	Eve C. Rogers	18	J. Manley Dodson
4	Ida Ray Miles	19A and 19B	James Queen
5	Phyllis Roebuck	20	Jimmy Craig
6	John R. Brady	21	James J. Weakland
7	Pam Honeycutt	22	Carl T. Duncan
8	Lynn C. Sasser	23	Wayne C. Dixon
9	Tommy Lewis	24	Lynn Hughes
10	Larry C. Dix	25	Lee Cox
11	Henry C. Cox	26	James Yancey
12	Phil T. Utley	27A	Charles Reeves
13	Jimmy Godwin	27B	Gloria Newman
14	Fred Elkins	28	Louis Parrish
15A	Harry Derr	29	Kenneth Lanning
15B	Harold Rogerson	30	Betty G. Alley

THE COURT COUNSELORS ASSOCIATION (Officers for 1986-87)

Executive Committee Members

Harold Rogerson, *President*
 Carey Collins, *President-Elect*
 Pat Wolfe, *Secretary*
 Larry Dix, *Treasurer*
 Rick McCollister, *Parliamentarian*

Board Members

1984-87	1985-88	1986-89
Carl Duncan	Jane Clare	Richard Alligood
Eve Rogers	Nancy Patteson	Marion Brewer
	Bruce Stanback	Ann Loy

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Public Defenders

During 1986-87, there were seven public defender offices in North Carolina, serving Judicial Districts 3,* 12, 15B, 18, 26, 27A, and 28. The public defender for each district is appointed by the senior resident superior court judge of that district from a list of not less than two and not more than three names nominated by written ballot of the attorneys resident in the district who are licensed to practice law in North Carolina. Their terms are four years. Each public defender is by statute provided a minimum of one full-time assistant public defender and additional full-time or part-time assistants as may be authorized by the Administrative Office of the Courts.

Entitlement of Indigents to Counsel

A person is determined to be indigent if he is found "financially unable to secure legal representation." He is entitled to State-paid legal representation in: any proceeding which may result in (or which seeks relief from) confinement; a fine of \$500 or more; or extradition to another State; a proceeding alleging mental illness or incapacity which may result in hospitalization, sterilization, or the loss of certain property rights; and juvenile proceedings which may result in confinement, transfer to superior court for a felony trial, or termination of parental rights.

Most of the cases of State-paid representation of indigents in the districts with public defenders are handled by the public defender's office. However, the court may in certain circumstances—such as existence of a potential conflict of interest—assign private counsel to represent an indigent defendant. In the other 28 districts, the assigned private counsel system was the only one used.

Expenditures

A total of \$3,620,211 was expended for the operation of the seven public defenders' offices during 1986-87. This was an increase of \$337,242 (10.3%) over the 1985-86 total of \$3,282,969.

*The public defender serves only two counties of the four in District 3: Pitt and Carteret.

1986-87 Caseload

The seven public defender offices disposed of cases involving a total of 23,287 defendants during 1986-87. This was an increase of 2,317 defendants, or 11.0%, over the 20,970 defendants represented during 1985-86.

Additional information concerning the operation of these offices is found in Part III of this *Annual Report*.

PUBLIC DEFENDERS (As of June 30, 1987)

District 3

Robert L. Shoffner, Greenville

District 12

Mary Ann Tally, Fayetteville

District 15B

John Kirk Osborn, Chapel Hill

District 18

Wallace G. Harrelson, Greensboro

District 26

Isabel S. Day, Charlotte

District 27A

Rowell C. Cloninger, Jr., Gastonia

District 28

J. Robert Hufstader, Asheville

The Association of Public Defenders (Officers as of June 30, 1987)

Malcolm Ray Hunter, Jr., *President*

Marc D. Towler, *Vice President*

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The Office of the Appellate Defender

(Staff as of June 30, 1987)

Malcolm Ray Hunter, Jr., *Appellate Defender*

Assistant Appellate Defenders

Louis D. Bilonis
David W. Dorey
Geoffrey C. Mangum

Gayle L. Moses
Daniel R. Pollitt
Leland Q. Towns

The Appellate Defender Office began operation as a State-funded program on October 1, 1981. (Prior to that date, appellate defender services were funded by a one-year federal grant.) The 1985 General Assembly made permanent The Appellate Defender Office by repealing its expiration provision. In accord with the assignments made by trial court judges, it is the responsibility of the Appellate Defender and his staff to provide criminal defense appellate services to indigent persons who are appealing their convictions to the N. C. Supreme Court, the N. C. Court of Appeals, or to Federal courts.

The Appellate Defender is appointed by, and carries out his duties under the general supervision of the Chief Justice. The Chief Justice may, consistent with the resources available to the Appellate Defender and to insure quality criminal defense services, authorize certain appeals to be assigned to a local public defender office or to private assigned counsel instead of to the Appellate Defender.

1986-87 Caseload

As of July 1, 1986, the Appellate Defender had 92 cases pending in the North Carolina Supreme Court. During the 1986-87 year, a total of 53 additional appeals to the Supreme Court were assigned to the Appellate Defender's Office, and during that year a total of 63 cases in the Supreme Court were disposed of. This left 82 cases pending as of June 30, 1987. During the 1986-87 year, the Appellate Defender and his staff filed a total of 47 briefs and 48 petitions in the Supreme Court.

As of July 1, 1986, the Appellate Defender had 115 cases pending in the North Carolina Court of Appeals. During the 1986-87 year, a total of 112 additional appeals to the Court of Appeals were assigned to the Appellate Defender's Office, and during that year, a total of 114 cases in the Court of Appeals were disposed of. This left 113 cases pending as of June 30, 1987. During the 1986-87 year, the Appellate Defender and his staff filed a total of 120 briefs and 17 petitions in the Court of Appeals.

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The North Carolina Courts Commission

(Members as of June 30, 1987)

Appointed by the Governor

Jonathan L. Rhyne, Jr., Lincolnton, *Chairman*
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

H. Parks Helms, Charlotte

Garland N. Yates, Asheboro
District Attorney

Warren Owen, Charlotte

Harold J. Long, Yadkinville
Clerk of Court

Dennis J. Winner, Asheville
Member, N. C. State Senate

Appointed by President of the Senate (Lieutenant Governor)

Anthony E. Rand, Fayetteville
Member, N.C. Senate

Fielding Clark, II, Hickory

Henson P. Barnes, Goldsboro
Member, N.C. Senate

Earl F. Parker, Apex
Magistrate

R.C. Soles, Jr., Tabor City
Member, N. C. Senate

Howard F. Twigg, Raleigh

Ex-Officio (Non-Voting)

O. William Faison, Raleigh
N.C. Bar Association Representative

A.B. Coleman, Jr., Raleigh
N.C. State Bar Representative

Franklin E. Freeman, Jr., Raleigh
Administrative Officer of the Courts

Appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives

Daniel T. Blue, Jr., Albemarle
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Robert C. Hunter, Marion
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Ralph S. Knott, Louisburg
Clerk of Court

Donald M. Dawkins, Rockingham
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Marvin D. Musselwhite, Jr., Raleigh

Dennis A. Wicker, Sanford
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Appointed by the Chief Justice of the N.C. Supreme Court

Burley B. Mitchell, Jr., Raleigh
Associate Justice, N.C. Supreme Court

Clifton E. Johnson, Charlotte
Judge, N.C. Court of Appeals

Giles B. Clark, Elizabethtown
Superior Court Judge

Forrest A. Ferrell, Hickory
Superior Court Judge

Nicholas Long, Roanoke Rapids
District Court Judge

Samuel McD. Tate, Morganton
District Court Judge

The North Carolina Courts Commission was reestablished by the 1979 General Assembly "to make continuing studies of the structure, organization, jurisdiction, procedures and personnel of the Judicial Department and of the General Court of Justice and to make recommendations to the General Assembly for such changes therein as will facilitate the administration of justice". Initially, the Commission was comprised of 15 voting members, with five each appointed by the Governor, the President of the Senate (Lieutenant Governor), and the Speaker of the House. The Commission also had three *ex officio* members as shown above.

The 1981 General Assembly amended the statutes pertaining to the Courts Commission, to increase the number of voting members from 15 to 23, with the Governor to appoint seven voting members, the President of the Senate to appoint eight voting members, and the Speaker of the House to appoint eight voting members. The non-voting *ex officio* members remained the same: a representative of the North Carolina Bar Association, a representative of the North Carolina State Bar, and the Administrative Officer of the Courts.

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The North Carolina Courts Commission

The 1983 Session of the General Assembly further amended G.S. 7A-506, to revise the voting membership of the Commission. Effective July 1, 1983, the Commission is to consist of 24 voting members, six to be appointed by the Governor; six to be appointed by the Speaker of the House; six to be appointed by the President of the Senate; and six to be appointed by the Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court. The Governor continues to appoint the Chairman of the Commission, from among its legislative members. The non-voting *ex officio* membership of three persons remains the same.

Of the six appointees of the Chief Justice, one is to be a Justice of the Supreme Court, one is to be a Judge of the Court of Appeals, two are to be judges of superior court, and two are to be judges of district court.

Of the six appointees of the Governor, one is to be a district attorney, one a practicing attorney, one a clerk of superior court, and three are to be members or former members of the General Assembly and at least one of these shall not be an attorney.

Of the six appointees of the Speaker of the House, at least three are to be practicing attorneys, and three are to be members or former members of the General Assembly, and at least one of these three is not to be an attorney.

Of the six appointees of the President of the Senate, at least three are to be practicing attorneys, three are to be members or former members of the General Assembly, and at least one is to be a magistrate.

During the 1986-87 year the Courts Commission had a total of eight meetings, all of which were held in Raleigh.

The following Commission proposals were approved by the 1987 Session of the General Assembly:

- Statutory amendment effective October 1, 1987,

increasing the jurisdiction of magistrates and clerks in worthless check cases to those cases involving checks up to \$1,000 (Chapter 355, 1987 Session Laws).

- Statutory amendment effective July 24, 1987, providing that life sentences rendered in capital cases are still heard initially by the Supreme Court, but other life imprisonment cases will now be heard on appeal first by the Court of Appeals (Chapter 679, 1987 Session laws).

In addition, the Courts Commission recommended that a special study commission be created to investigate how other states select their judges to see if any improvement can be borrowed from them and to determine the views of the citizens of North Carolina about how their judges should be selected. (Chapter 873 established the Judicial Selection Study Commission to "study the method of selecting judges in North Carolina and recommend any changes needed to improve the system.")

The Commission also recommended that an agency such as the Administrative Office of the Courts or the Institute of Government prepare a grand jury handbook to provide grand jury members and foremen with guidelines and legal instruction for performing this important civic duty.

Finally, the Commission expressed in the form of a motion that "the Commission expresses its concern to the General Assembly about the level of compensation for District Court Judges in view of the duties assigned to them and their increased work loads." (The 1987 General Assembly appropriated funds for a 10% pay raise for district court judges.)

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The Judicial Standards Commission

(Members as of June 30, 1987)

Appointed by the Chief Justice

Court of Appeals Judge Gerald Arnold,
Fuquay-Varina, *Chairman*

Superior Court Judge James M. Long,
Pilot Mountain

District Court Judge W. S. Harris, Jr., Graham

Elected by the Council of the N.C. State Bar

E. K. Powe, Durham, *Vice Chairman*

Rivers D. Johnson, Jr., Warsaw

Appointed by the Governor

Veatrice C. Davis, Fayetteville, *Secretary*

Pamela S. Gaither, Charlotte

Deborah R. Carrington, *Executive Secretary*

THE JUDICIAL STANDARDS COMMISSION

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

The Judicial Standards Commission was established by the General Assembly pursuant to a constitutional amendment approved by the voters at the general election in November 1972.

Upon recommendation of the Commission, the Supreme Court may censure or remove any judge for willful misconduct in office, willful and persistent failure to perform his duties, habitual intemperance, conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude, or conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice that brings the judicial office into disrepute. In addition, upon recommendation of the Commission, the Supreme Court may remove any judge for mental or physical incapacity interfering with the performance of his duties, which is, or is likely to become, permanent.

Where a recommendation for censure or removal involves a justice of the Supreme Court, the recommendation and supporting record is filed with the Court of Appeals which has and proceeds under the same authority for censure or removal of a judge. Such a proceeding would be heard by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals and the six judges senior in service, excluding the Court of Appeals judge who by law serves as the Chairman of the Judicial Standards Commission.

In addition to a recommendation of censure or removal, the Commission also utilizes a disciplinary measure known as a reprimand. The reprimand is a mechanism administratively developed for dealing with inquiries where the conduct does not warrant censure or removal, but where some action is justified. Since the establishment of the Judicial Standards Commission in 1973, reprimands have been issued in fourteen instances covering 20 inquiries.

During the July 1, 1986 - June 30, 1987 fiscal year, the Judicial Standards Commission met on November 1, 1986, and March 21, 1987.

A complaint or other information against a judge, whether filed with the Commission or initiated by the Commission on its own motion, is designated as an "Inquiry Concerning a Judge." Eighteen such inquiries were pending as of July 1, 1986, and 77 inquiries were filed during the fiscal year, giving the Commission a total workload of 95 inquiries.

During the fiscal year, the Commission disposed of 65 inquiries, and 30 inquiries remained pending at the end of the fiscal year.

The determinations of the Commission regarding the 65 inquiries disposed of during the fiscal year were as follows:

- (1) fifty-two inquiries were determined to involve evidentiary rulings, length of sentences, or other matters not within the Commission's jurisdiction rather than questions of judicial misconduct;
- (2) two inquiries were determined to involve allegations of conduct which did not rise to such a level as would warrant investigation by the Commission;
- (3) ten inquiries were determined to warrant no further action following completion of preliminary investigations; and
- (4) one inquiry resulted in a recommendation of censure.

Of the 30 inquiries pending at the end of the fiscal year:

- (1) twenty-three inquiries were awaiting initial review by the Commission; and
- (2) seven inquiries were awaiting completion of a preliminary investigation or were subject to other action by the Commission.

PART III

COURT RESOURCES

- **Financial**
- **Personnel**

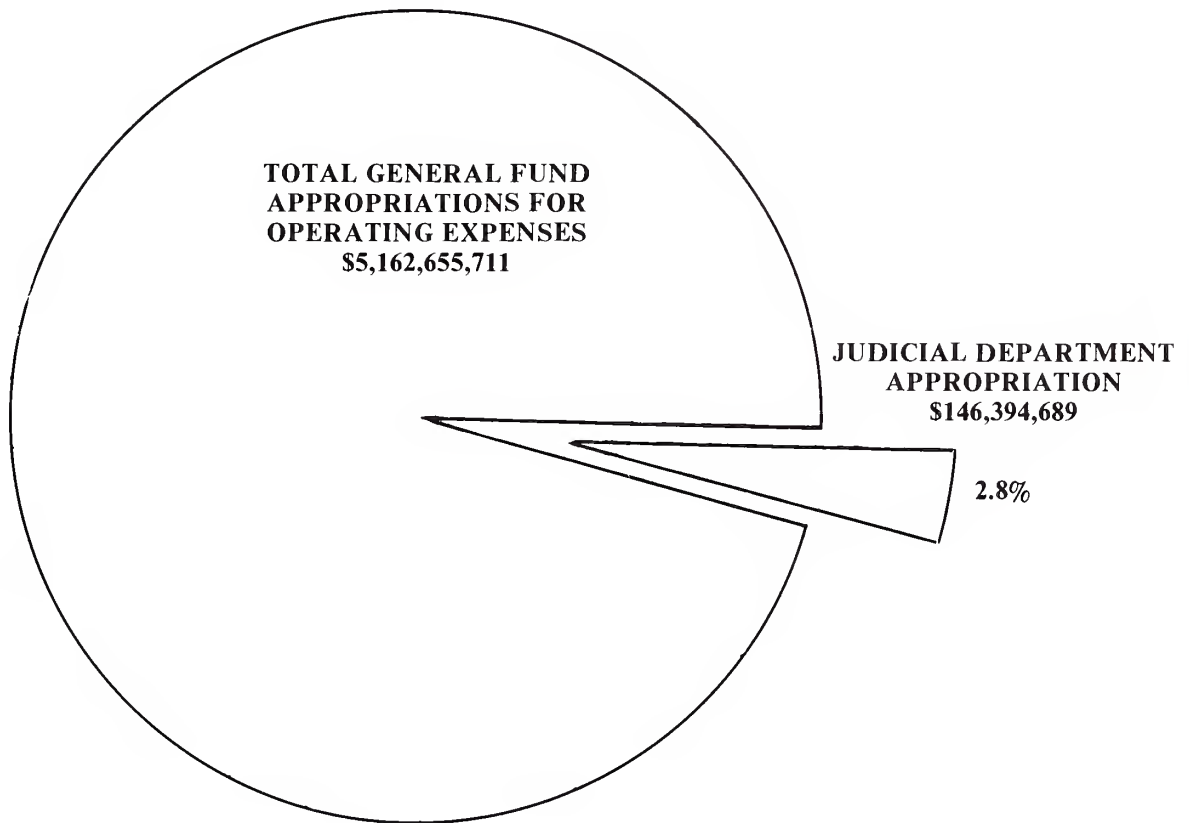
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Under the State Constitution the operating expenses of the Judicial Department (all North Carolina courts) "other than compensation to process servers and other locally paid non-judicial officers" are required to be paid from State funds. It is customary legislative practice for the General Assembly to include appropriations for the operating expenses of all three branches of State government in a single budget bill, for a two-year period ending on June 30 of the odd-numbered years. The budget for the second year of the biennium is generally modified during the even-year legislative session.

Building facilities for the appellate courts are provided by State funds, but, by statute, the county governments are required to provide from county funds for adequate facilities for the trial courts within each of the 100 counties.

Appropriations from the State's General Fund for operating expenses for all departments and agencies of State government, including the Judicial Department, totalled \$5,162,655,711 for the 1986-87 fiscal year. (Appropriations from the Highway Fund and appropriations from the General Fund for capital improvements and debt servicing are not included in this total.)

The appropriation from the General Fund for the operating expenses of the Judicial Department for 1986-87 was \$146,394,689. As illustrated in the chart below, this General Fund appropriation for the Judicial Department comprised 2.8% of the General Fund appropriations for the operating expenses of all State agencies and departments.



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Appropriation from the State's general fund for operating expenses of the Judicial Department over the past seven fiscal years are shown in the table below and in the graph at the top of the following page. For comparative purposes, appropriations from the general fund for oper-

ating expenses of all State agencies and departments (including the Judicial Department) for the last seven fiscal years are also shown in the table below and in the second graph on the following page.

APPROPRIATIONS FROM GENERAL FUND FOR OPERATING EXPENSES

Fiscal Year	Judicial Department		All State Agencies	
	Appropriation	% Increase over previous year	Appropriation	% Increase over previous year
1980-1981	82,929,174	15.80	3,140,949,832	13.76
1981-1982	89,631,765	8.08	3,339,761,674	6.33
1982-1983	93,927,824	4.79	3,488,908,246	4.47
1983-1984	106,182,188	13.05	3,730,497,565	6.92
1984-1985	121,035,791	13.99	4,319,568,173	15.79
1985-1986	134,145,813	10.83	4,801,279,494	11.15
1986-1987	146,394,689	9.13	5,162,655,711	7.53
AVERAGE ANNUAL INCREASE, 1980-1987		10.81%		9.42%

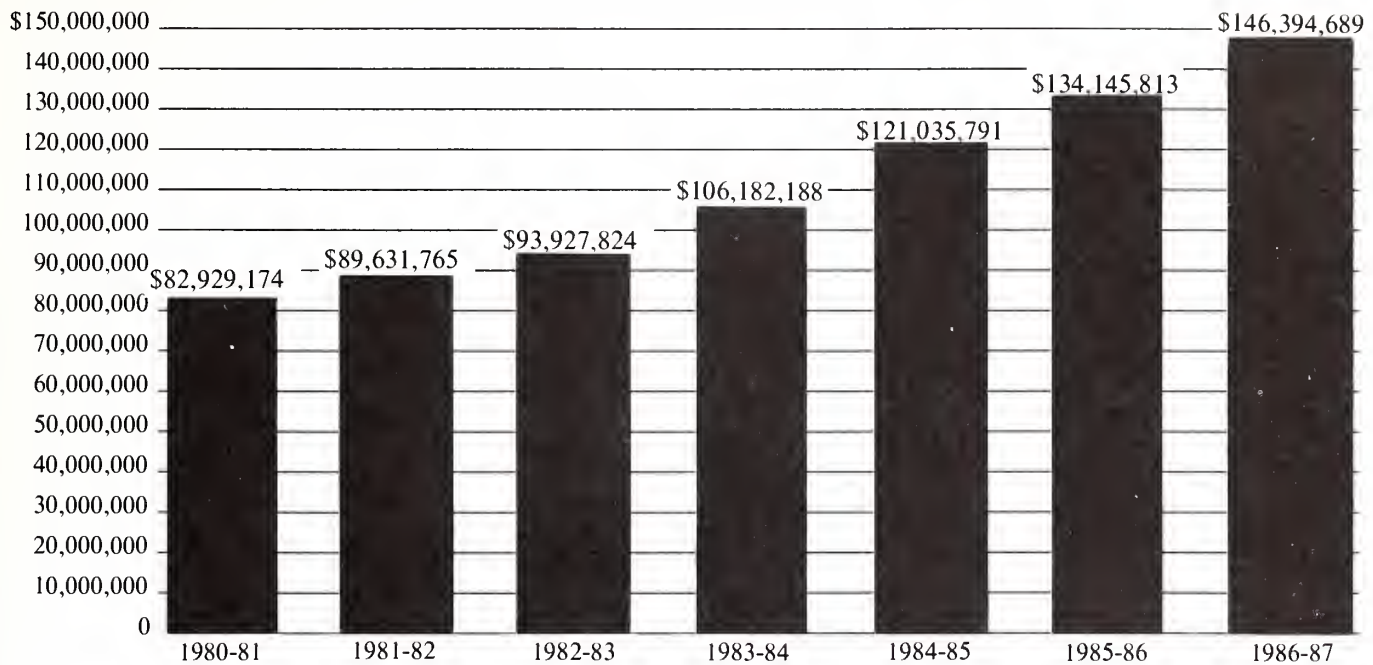
During the past decade, including the seven-year period covered by the above table, inflation has been a significant factor in the national economy.

The greatest percentage increase in Judicial Department appropriations during the last six years was for the 1980-81 fiscal year. The increase for that year was due in large measure to a 10% pay increase for Judicial Branch personnel, with the same pay increase provided for per-

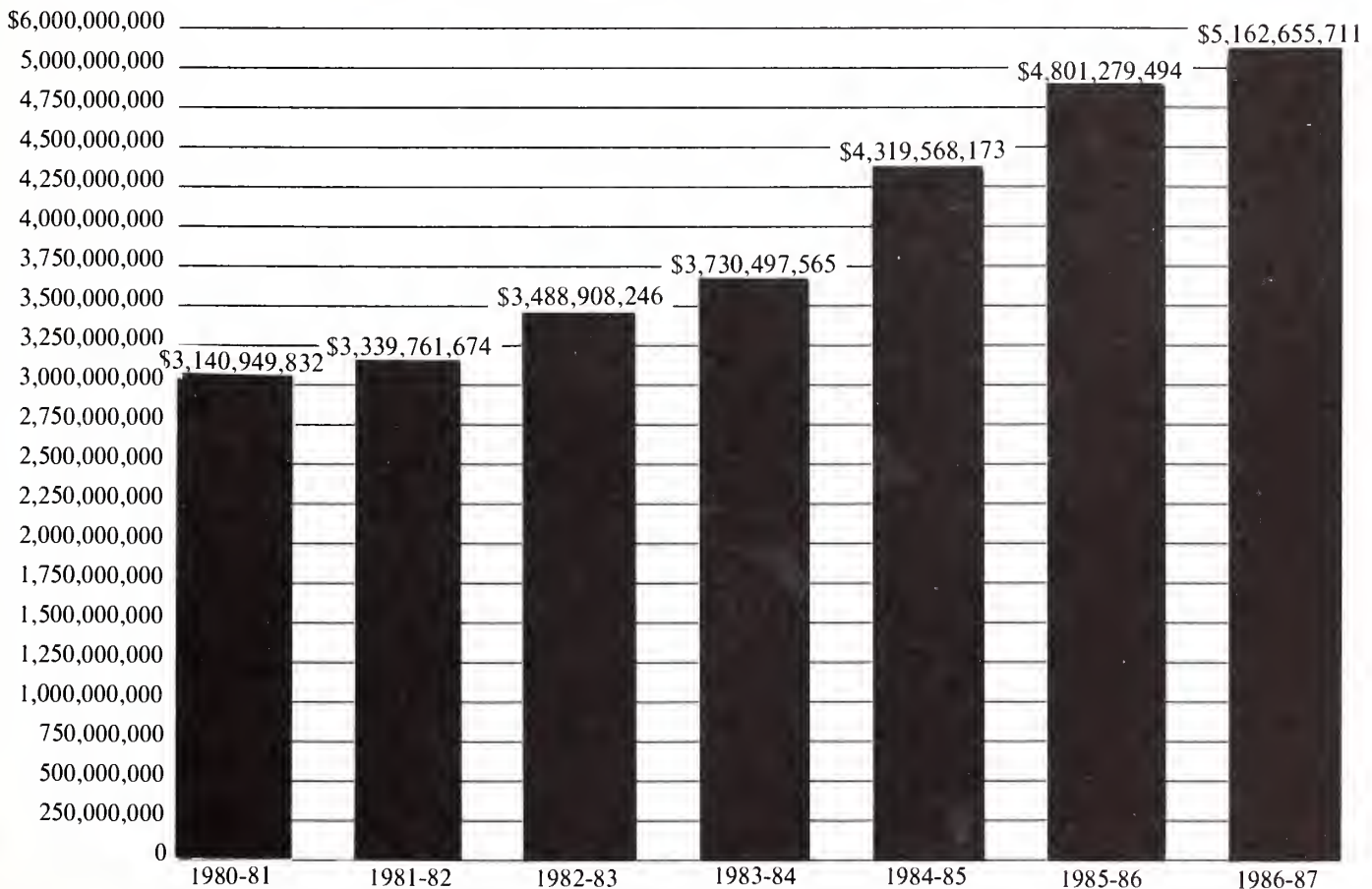
sonnel of all State government agencies. A 10% pay increase was also provided for the 1984-85 fiscal year.

Fiscal year 1982-83 shows the smallest percentage increase in Judicial Department appropriations during the seven-year period. The decline in percentage increase that year was consistent with a similar decline for all State government agencies.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES
General Fund Appropriations for Operating Expenses
Of the Judicial Department, 1980-81 — 1986-87



General Fund Appropriations for Operating Expenses
Of All State Agencies and Departments, 1980-81 — 1986-87



JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Expenditures July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

General Fund expenditures for operating expenses of the Judicial Department during the 1986-87 fiscal year

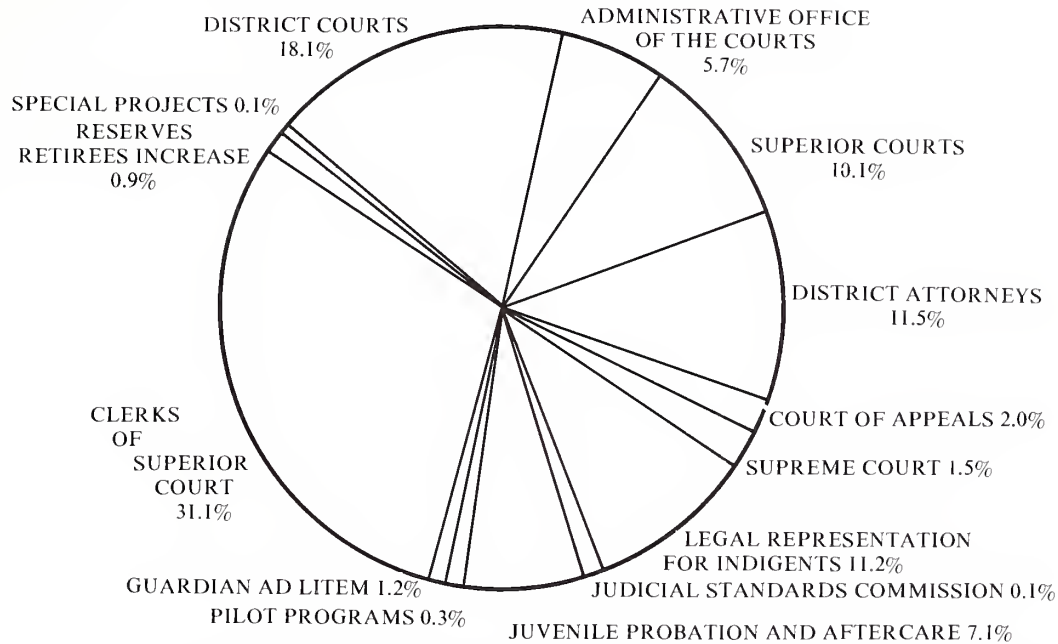
totalled \$148,328,555, divided among the major budget classifications as shown below.

	Amount	% of Total
Supreme Court	\$ 2,281,161	1.5
Court of Appeals	2,947,010	2.0
Superior Courts	14,924,895	10.1
District Courts	26,908,723	18.1
Clerks of Superior Court	46,066,578	31.1
Juvenile Probation and Aftercare	10,513,864	7.1
Representation for Indigents	18,392,136	12.4
Assigned private counsel \$12,258,375		
Guardian <i>ad litem</i> for juveniles \$183,411		
Guardian <i>ad litem</i> —volunteer and contract program \$1,117,720		
Public defenders \$3,620,211		
Special counsel at mental hospitals \$215,574		
Support services (expert witness fees, professional examinations, transcripts) \$526,739		
Appellate Defender Services \$470,106		
District Attorney Offices	17,073,535	11.5
Office-District Attorney \$16,980,015		
District Attorneys' Conference \$93,520		
Administrative Office of the Courts	8,487,978	5.7
General Administration \$3,740,108		
Information Services \$4,409,696		
Warehouse & Printing \$338,174		
Judicial Standards Commission	69,625	.1
Pilot Programs	463,491	.3
Custody Mediation Pilot \$75,849		
Indigency Screening Pilot \$302,269		
Dispute Settlement Center \$56,081		
Arbitration Pilot Program \$29,292		
Special Projects	199,559	.1
Model Juvenile Court Project \$15,076		
Prosecution Management System \$11,309		
Victim Assistance, 21st District \$23,378		
Victim Assistance, 28th District \$40,906		
Victim Assistance, 13th District \$29,942		
Victim Assistance, 6th District \$22,248		
N.C. Death Penalty Resources Center \$50,858		
TOTAL	\$148,328,555*	100.0

*General Fund expenditures exceeded General Fund appropriations by \$1,933,866 which was funded from the non-reverting cash balance of the Indigent Persons' Attorney Fee account.

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Expenditures, July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

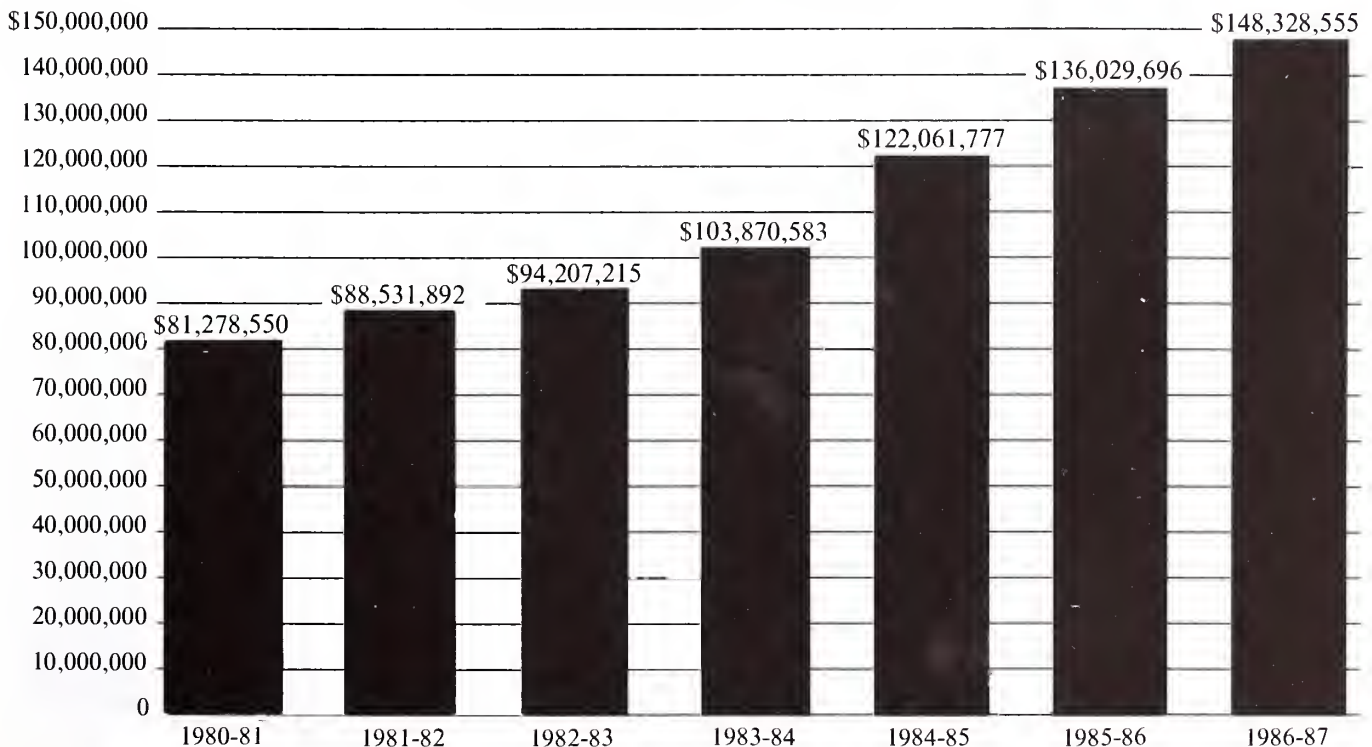


As the above chart illustrates, most (70.8%) of Judicial Department expenditures goes for operation of the State's trial courts: operation of superior courts took 10.1% of total expenditures; operation of the district courts (including magistrates, judges and court reporters) took 18.1% of the total; the clerks' office, 31.1% of the

total; and district attorneys offices, 11.5% of total Judicial Department expenditures.

The total General Fund expenditures of \$148,328,555 for 1986-87 represents a 9.0% increase over expenditures of \$136,029,696 in 1985-86.

General Fund Expenditures For The Judicial Department Fiscal Year 1980-81 — 1986-87



JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Department Receipts July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

Receipts for the Judicial Department in the 1986-87 fiscal year totalled \$87,037,567. The several sources of these receipts are shown in the table below. As in the previous years, the major source of receipts is the assessment of "court costs" in superior and district courts, paid by litigants in accordance with the schedule of costs and fees set out in G.S. 7A-304 *et seq.*; these payments consti-

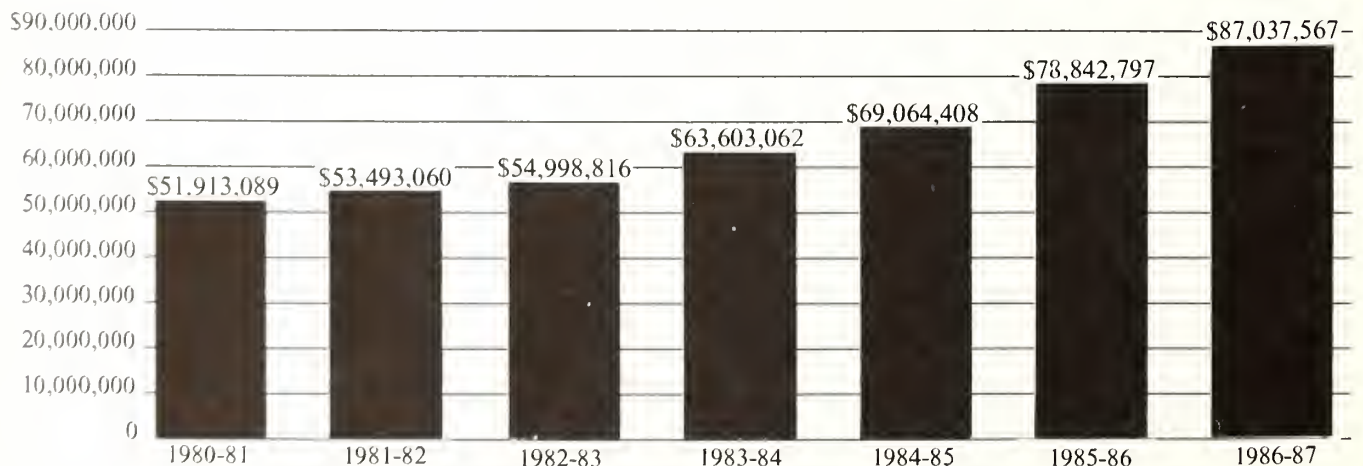
tuted 65.75% of the total receipts during 1986-87. Fines and forfeitures made up 29.16% of the total. Receipts in the remaining categories — Supreme Court and Court of Appeals filing fees, sales of Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Reports and payments on indigent representation judgments — made up approximately five percent of the total.

Source of Receipts	Amount	% of Total
Supreme Court Fees	\$ 10,972	.01
Court of Appeals Fees	33,108	.04
Superior and District Court Costs	57,223,046	65.75
Fines and Forfeitures	25,385,015	29.16
Sales of Appellate Division Reports	161,517	.19
Payments on Indigent Representation Judgments	1,986,105	2.28
Ten-Day License Revocation Fee	1,125,860	1.29
Interest on Checking Accounts	1,111,944	1.28
Total	\$87,037,567	100.00

This total of \$87,037,567 is an increase of 10.4% over total 1985-86 receipts of \$78,842,797. The graph below

illustrates increases in recent years in total Judicial Department receipts.

Judicial Department Receipts, 1980-81 — 1986-87



JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES
Distribution of Judicial Department Receipts
(July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987)

As required by the State Constitution, fines, penalties and forfeitures collected by the courts in criminal cases are distributed to the respective counties in which the cases are tried. These funds must be used by the counties for the support of the public schools.

A uniform schedule of court costs for civil and criminal cases, comprised of a variety of fees, is set by statute for cases filed in the superior and district courts. Statutes prescribe the distribution of these fees and provide that certain fees shall be devoted to specific uses. For example, a facilities fee is included in court costs when costs are assessed, and this fee is paid over to the respective county or municipality which provided the facility used in the case. These fees must be utilized by the counties and municipalities to provide and maintain courtrooms and related judicial facilities.

Officer fees (for arrest or service of process) are included, where applicable, in the cost of each case filed in the trial courts. If a municipal officer performed these services in a case, the fee is paid over to the respective municipality. Otherwise, all officer fees are paid to the respective counties in which the cases are filed.

A jail fee is included in the costs of each case where applicable; and these fees are distributed to the respective

county or municipality whose facilities were used. Most jail facilities in the State are provided by the counties.

A fee for the Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund is included as a part of court costs when costs are assessed in a criminal case. As required by statute, the Judicial Department remits these fees to the State Treasurer, for deposit in the Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund.

Except as indicated, all superior and district court costs collected by the Judicial Department are paid into the State's General Fund, as are appellate court fees and proceeds from the sales of appellate division reports.

When private counsel or a public defender is assigned to represent an indigent defendant in a criminal case, the trial judge sets the money value for the services rendered. If the defendant is convicted, a judgment lien is entered against him for such amount. Collections on these judgments are paid into and retained by the department to defray the costs of legal representation of indigents.

Proceeds from the ten-day driver license revocation fee, which driving-while-intoxicated offenders must pay to recover their driver licenses, are distributed to the counties.

	Amount	% of Total
Remitted to State Treasurer		
Supreme Court Fees	\$ 10,972	.01
Court of Appeals Fees	33,108	.04
Sales of Appellate Division Reports	161,517	.19
Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund Fees	5,724,856	6.58
Other Superior and District Court Fees	38,246,373	43.94
Total to State Treasurer	44,176,826	50.76
Distributed to Counties		
Fines and Forfeitures	25,385,015	29.16
Judicial Facilities Fees	7,119,492	8.18
Officer Fees	3,193,577	3.67
Jail Fees	710,040	.82
Ten-Day License Revocation Fees	1,125,860	1.29
Total to Counties	37,533,984	43.12
Distributed to Counties and Beneficiaries		
Interest on Checking Accounts	1,111,944	1.28
Distributed to Municipalities		
Judicial Facilities Fees	357,505	.41
Officer Fees	1,866,561	2.14
Jail Fees	4,642	.01
Total to Municipalities	2,228,708	2.56
Retained by Judicial Department		
Payments on Indigent Representation Judgments	1,986,105	2.28
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 87,037,567	100.00

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Amounts of Fees, Fines and Forfeitures Collected by the Courts and Distributed to Counties and Municipalities* July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

County	Distributed to Counties				Distributed to Municipalities			
	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Fines and Forfeitures	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Total
Alamance	198,434	47,588	25,338	449,702	-0-	27,273	-0-	658,336
Alexander	19,914	10,493	6,283	85,013	-0-	584	-0-	122,287
Alleghany	8,149	4,903	1,670	37,821	-0-	396	-0-	52,939
Anson	32,222	19,014	510	138,025	-0-	1,453	-0-	191,224
Ashe	16,161	12,356	1,045	60,908	-0-	368	-0-	90,838
Avery	12,898	9,078	750	51,565	-0-	592	-0-	74,883
Beaufort	62,040	45,725	17,747	282,650	-0-	9,552	-0-	417,715
Bertie	27,701	22,786	1,802	86,257	-0-	982	-0-	139,528
Bladen	47,366	36,160	921	129,238	1,230	1,707	-0-	216,621
Brunswick	48,560	27,899	4,261	237,252	1,825	2,256	-0-	322,053
Buncombe	183,899	106,333	4,090	720,916	-0-	43,193	-0-	1,058,432
Burke	83,354	34,046	10,438	294,003	-0-	11,509	-0-	433,350
Cabarrus	86,347	48,638	15,233	325,476	11,779	36,048	-0-	523,520
Caldwell	66,496	28,360	1,693	225,112	-0-	9,539	-0-	331,200
Camden	6,909	5,398	780	28,291	-0-	-0-	-0-	41,378
Carteret	69,584	33,246	2,054	223,638	-0-	18,483	-0-	347,004
Caswell	18,601	16,040	1,283	101,032	-0-	-0-	-0-	136,955
Catawba	67,224	45,356	9,573	431,644	62,526	30,148	-0-	646,471
Chatham	38,365	37,371	4,923	190,740	11,729	1,790	270	285,188
Cherokee	24,988	21,841	4,208	113,276	-0-	1,962	245	166,520
Chowan	16,311	11,270	963	46,069	-0-	3,152	-0-	77,765
Clay	5,215	3,929	407	29,649	-0-	-0-	-0-	39,200
Cleveland	87,414	39,979	21,796	331,449	-0-	10,328	-0-	490,966
Columbus	50,983	46,315	3,492	163,046	2,230	2,841	75	268,982
Craven	99,914	41,041	14,634	349,908	-0-	21,501	-0-	526,997
Cumberland	298,424	102,664	32,186	756,438	-0-	68,682	-0-	1,258,394
Currituck	20,583	16,636	3,133	97,681	-0-	4	-0-	138,036
Dare	59,276	27,948	5,432	275,840	-0-	20,380	-0-	388,876
Davidson	88,387	68,531	9,378	476,794	11,470	8,080	-0-	662,640
Davie	25,906	18,529	910	90,277	-0-	687	-0-	136,309
Duplin	42,244	22,485	9,102	174,737	-0-	992	405	249,965
Durham	291,526	93,718	4,979	917,053	-0-	103,942	-0-	1,411,219
Edgecombe	45,926	53,964	11,320	145,636	38,825	21,289	590	317,549
Forsyth	299,118	20,467	34,294	1,011,972	2,769	125,573	-0-	1,494,193
Franklin	32,934	20,343	2,314	113,035	-0-	264	-0-	168,890
Gaston	152,382	90,499	5,225	498,328	-0-	22,838	-0-	769,272
Gates	12,408	8,972	2,044	54,135	-0-	-0-	-0-	77,559
Graham	5,446	4,278	2,664	33,524	-0-	32	-0-	45,944
Granville	35,311	17,047	3,551	116,655	-0-	4,149	178	176,891
Greene	15,652	11,619	1,516	56,104	-0-	-0-	-0-	84,890
Guilford	419,609	54,070	8,099	1,062,364	-0-	169,340	-0-	1,713,482
Halifax	66,142	52,109	9,064	267,140	4,540	11,827	88	410,910
Harnett	50,900	38,778	17,860	242,362	10,809	4,622	61	365,393
Haywood	45,547	26,038	7,702	226,689	502	3,483	15	309,976
Henderson	54,145	31,166	14,418	260,872	155	2,616	-0-	363,372
Hertford	27,297	19,015	2,869	96,448	-0-	1,196	-0-	146,825
Hoke	25,133	15,511	1,572	81,062	-0-	1,620	-0-	124,898
Hyde	7,357	5,912	1,661	47,647	-0-	-0-	-0-	62,577
Iredell	79,588	46,774	8,683	389,196	15,254	11,519	617	551,631
Jackson	20,775	15,127	8,646	105,430	-0-	-0-	-0-	149,978

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Amounts of Fees, Fines and Forfeitures Collected by the Courts and Distributed to Counties and Municipalities* July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

County	Distributed to Counties				Distributed to Municipalities			Total
	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Fines and Forfeitures	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	
Johnston	71,039	54,451	21,416	338,680	21,453	12,991	100	520,130
Jones	8,560	5,993	240	30,84	-0-	360	-0-	45,337
Lee	44,561	25,736	18,178	184,898	-0-	7,844	-0-	281,216
Lenoir	65,026	28,265	10,083	244,512	-0-	9,706	-0-	357,591
Lincoln	42,333	27,944	1,259	159,545	-0-	2,804	-0-	233,885
Macon	22,041	15,881	2,190	115,378	-0-	592	-0-	156,082
Madison	12,516	9,538	245	41,165	-0-	480	-0-	63,944
Martin	30,548	22,476	4,520	111,251	-0-	1,768	-0-	170,562
McDowell	35,292	21,725	2,590	161,938	-0-	2,815	-0-	224,360
Mecklenburg	632,630	66,557	5	1,856,834	-0-	395,823	-0-	2,951,849
Mitchell	9,355	6,270	511	34,629	-0-	636	-0-	51,401
Montgomery	36,025	27,493	5,228	109,775	-0-	1,932	-0-	180,453
Moore	58,039	40,012	2,608	267,319	4,040	8,454	-0-	380,472
Nash	64,474	67,610	8,290	290,107	52,792	25,199	1,184	509,656
New Hanover	174,376	51,302	9,656	557,165	-0-	45,473	-0-	837,972
Northampton	27,982	24,045	3,153	109,154	1,225	1,200	-0-	166,759
Onslow	146,154	69,114	20,209	488,563	-0-	58,084	-0-	782,125
Orange	42,523	34,660	9,180	244,882	25,509	13,746	105	370,604
Pamlico	9,530	7,670	687	39,865	-0-	-0-	-0-	57,752
Pasquotank	29,828	13,425	6,633	131,893	-0-	7,674	-0-	189,453
Pender	25,827	18,577	2,738	100,194	-0-	556	-0-	147,893
Perquimans	12,214	7,884	780	35,079	-0-	1,592	-0-	57,549
Person	29,074	21,172	3,582	117,477	5	3,808	-0-	175,117
Pitt	136,520	51,673	18,820	469,967	9,074	44,930	400	731,385
Polk	13,692	11,032	258	70,102	-0-	456	-0-	95,540
Randolph	79,373	62,311	7,002	272,022	2,080	11,341	-0-	434,129
Richmond	53,143	32,815	9,218	248,174	-0-	3,351	-0-	346,700
Robeson	110,224	84,007	11,557	722,349	36,010	29,208	183	993,538
Rockingham	70,998	39,390	7,138	500,525	20,639	20,005	-0-	658,695
Rowan	96,473	55,428	28,529	379,270	-0-	29,822	-0-	589,523
Rutherford	49,246	28,328	8,094	207,717	-0-	7,885	-0-	301,270
Sampson	62,451	43,069	8,706	238,143	-0-	4,904	-0-	357,272
Scotland	52,035	33,147	7,821	209,830	-0-	8,424	-0-	311,256
Stanly	39,322	12,003	3,959	89,253	-0-	9,512	-0-	254,049
Stokes	21,526	11,568	3,514	82,880	-0-	840	-0-	120,328
Surry	61,148	45,842	2,646	248,105	1,625	10,408	5	369,779
Swain	11,793	9,991	4,436	60,057	-0-	216	-0-	86,493
Transylvania	21,139	16,497	5,838	84,683	-0-	2,685	-0-	130,842
Tyrrell	7,838	6,286	937	22,330	-0-	-0-	-0-	37,391
Union	73,853	55,029	9,969	301,746	-0-	15,516	-0-	456,114
Vance	50,347	20,693	7,436	164,119	-0-	5,524	-0-	248,119
Wake	651,311	79,164	28,419	1,375,066	6,000	191,050	92	2,331,102
Warren	17,727	14,555	2,720	65,608	-0-	140	-0-	100,750
Washington	15,813	10,996	4,025	43,615	-0-	1,997	-0-	76,446
Watauga	30,516	19,098	3,090	92,150	-0-	4,088	-0-	148,942
Wayne	87,316	47,753	6,416	239,957	1,410	22,118	29	405,000
Wilkes	63,275	34,389	5,350	264,464	-0-	2,270	-0-	369,749
Wilson	64,972	38,292	6,312	182,168	-0-	15,964	-0-	307,708
Yadkin	25,613	17,332	8,254	113,569	-0-	1,318	-0-	166,085
Yancey	10,817	7,724	1,087	36,559	-0-	260	-0-	56,447
State Totals	7,119,492	3,193,577	710,040	25,385,015	357,505	1,866,561	4,642	38,636,832

*Facility and jail fees are distributed to the respective counties and municipalities which furnished the facilities. If the officer who made the arrest or served the process was employed by a municipality, the officer fee is distributed to the municipality; otherwise all officer fees are distributed to the respective counties. By provision of the State Constitution, fines and forfeitures collected by the courts within a county are distributed to that county for support of the public schools.

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Cost and Case Data on Representation of Indigents July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

The State provides legal counsel for indigent persons in a variety of actions and proceedings, as specified in the North Carolina General Statutes, Sections 7A-450 *et seq.* These include criminal proceedings, judicial hospitalization proceedings, juvenile proceedings which may result in commitment to an institution or transfer to superior court for trial as an adult. Legal representation for indigents may be by assignment of private counsel, by assignment of special public counsel (involving mental hospital commitments), or by assignment of a public defender.

Seven of North Carolina's judicial districts have an office of public defender: Districts 3, 12, 15B, 18, 26, 27A, and 28. The other 27 districts utilize only assignments of private counsel. Private counsel may also be assigned in the seven districts which have a public defender in the event of a conflict of interest involving the public defender's office and the indigent and in the event of unusual circumstances when, in the opinion of the court, the proper administration of justice requires the assignment of private counsel rather than the public defender in those cases.

During 1986-87, the Criminal Law Clinic of the School of Law, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, provided counsel services to indigents in 220 cases (no felonies), assigned by the courts in Orange County to the Clinic. These counsel services for indigents were provided by the Clinic at no cost to the Judicial Department.

The Appellate Defender Office began operation as a State-funded program on October 1, 1981. (Prior to October 1, 1981, appellate defender services were funded by a one-year federal grant.) Pursuant to assignments made by trial court judges, it is the responsibility of the Appellate Defender and his staff to provide criminal defense appellate services to indigent persons who are appealing their convictions to either the Supreme Court or the Court of Appeals. The Appellate Defender is under the general supervision of the Chief Justice. The Chief Justice may, consistent with the resources available to the

Appellate Defender and to insure quality criminal defense services, authorize certain appeals to be assigned to a local public defender office or to private assigned counsel instead of to the Appellate Defender. The cost data reported reflects the activity of this office in both the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1987.

In addition, the State provides a full-time special counsel at each of the State's four mental hospitals, to represent patients in commitment or recommitment hearings before a district court judge. Under North Carolina law, each patient committed to a mental hospital is entitled to a judicial hearing (before a district court judge) within 90 days after the initial commitment, a further hearing within 180 days after the initial commitment, and thereafter a hearing once each year during the continuance of an involuntary commitment.

A juvenile alleged to be within the jurisdiction of the court has the right to be represented by counsel in all proceedings; and juveniles are conclusively presumed to be indigent and entitled to State-appointed and State-paid counsel (G.S. 7A-584). When a petition alleges that a juvenile is abused or neglected, the judge is required to appoint a guardian *ad litem*. If the guardian *ad litem* is not an attorney, the judge in addition is to appoint an attorney to represent the juvenile's interests (G.S. 7A-586). And where a juvenile petition alleges that a juvenile is abused, neglected or dependent, the parent has a right to appointed counsel in cases of indigency (G.S. 7A-587).

The cost of all programs of indigent representation, rounded to the nearest dollar, was \$18,392,136 in the 1986-87 fiscal year, compared to \$16,480,870 in the 1985-86 fiscal year, an increase of 11.6%. The total amount expended for these activities was 12.4% of total Judicial Department expenditures in the 1986-87 fiscal year.

Following is a summary of case and cost data for representation of indigents for the fiscal year, July 1, 1986 through June 30, 1987.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Cost and Case Data on Representation of Indigents July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Number of Cases***	Total Cost	Average Per Case
Assigned Private Counsel			
Capital offense cases	453	1,207,498	2,666
Adult cases (other than capital)	43,489	10,321,062	237
Juvenile cases	6,039	729,815	121
Totals	49,981	12,258,375	245
Guardian <i>ad litem</i> for juveniles	1,358	183,411	135
Guardian <i>ad litem</i> volunteer and contract program		1,117,720	
Public Defender Offices			
*District 3	1,641	331,778	202
District 12	2,788	634,862	228
District 15B	875	174,877	200
District 18	2,914	747,092	256
District 26	10,816	981,147	91
District 27A	2,203	409,268	186
District 28	2,050	341,187	166
Totals	23,287	3,620,211	155
**Criminal Law Clinic, UNC			
Appellate Defender Office		470,106	
Special Counsel at mental hospitals		215,574	
Transcripts, records and briefs		386,847	
Professional examinations		35,311	
Expert witness fees		104,581	
GRAND TOTAL		18,392,136	

*The Public Defender's Office serves only Pitt and Carteret Counties in Judicial District 3.

**During 1986-87, the Criminal Law Clinic of the School of Law, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, provided counsel services to indigents in 220 misdemeanor cases. These counsel services for indigents were provided by the Clinic at no cost to the Judicial Department.

***The number of "cases" shown is the number of **defendants** in cases disposed of by public defenders during the 1986-87 year.

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Special Counsel at Mental Hospitals July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

The total cost of providing special counsel at each of the State's four mental hospitals, to represent patients in commitment or recommitment hearings, was \$215,574 for the 1986-87 fiscal year. There was a total of 10,744 hearings held during the year, for an average cost per hearing of \$20.06 for the special counsel service.

The following table presents data on the hearings held at each of the mental hospitals in 1986-87. There were 582 more hearings held in 1986-87 than in 1985-86, an increase of 5.7% in total hearings.

	Broughton	Cherry	Dorothea Dix	John Umstead	Totals
Initial Hearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	709	1,261	687	1,174	3,831
Commitment to outpatient clinic	336	262	168	399	1,165
Discharge	750	451	449	583	2,233
Total	1,795	1,974	1,304	2,156	7,229
First Rehearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	154	354	213	253	974
Commitment to outpatient clinic	33	27	27	15	102
Discharge	37	100	49	84	270
Total	224	481	289	352	1,346
Second or Subsequent Rehearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	276	370	332	633	1,611
Commitment to outpatient clinic	5	0	7	1	13
Discharge	13	2	21	96	132
Total	294	372	360	730	1,756
Modification of Prior Order Hearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	3	233	2	3	241
Commitment to outpatient clinic	14	22	38	70	144
Discharge	8	6	4	0	18
Total	25	261	44	73	403
Total Hearings or Rehearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	1,142	2,218	1,234	2,063	6,657
Commitment to outpatient clinic	388	311	240	485	1,424
Discharge	808	559	533	763	2,663
Grand Totals	2,338	3,088	2,007	3,311	10,744

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem

Number of Cases and Expenditures

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
<i>District 1</i>				
Camden	18	2,908	5	585
Chowan	102	35,152	4	325
Currituck	53	12,701	16	2,038
Dare	131	44,367	7	525
Gates	25	5,606	4	657
Pasquotank	322	76,391	30	2,229
Perquimans	46	9,030	2	175
District Totals	697	186,155	68	6,534
<i>District 2</i>				
Beaufort	384	87,451	25	1,300
Hyde	41	10,264	6	453
Martin	184	31,561	4	375
Tyrrell	28	11,241	0	0
Washington	102	19,741	3	150
District Totals	739	160,258	38	2,278
<i>District 3</i>				
Carteret	76	24,782	21	2,460
Craven	684	170,139	2	200
Pamlico	76	18,403	3	200
Pitt	343	106,179	14	1,346
District Totals	1,179	319,503	40	4,206
<i>District 4</i>				
Duplin	296	91,650	21	2,650
Jones	28	8,337	0	0
Onslow	1,014	320,724	87	8,825
Sampson	294	96,576	2	225
District Totals	1,632	517,287	110	11,700
<i>District 5</i>				
New Hanover	1,110	340,314	4	470
Pender	79	26,251	0	0
District Totals	1,189	366,565	4	470
<i>District 6</i>				
Bertie	166	41,108	5	624
Halifax	516	141,015	20	2,235
Hertford	228	50,895	17	2,000
Northampton	164	42,664	9	1,025
District Totals	1,074	275,682	51	5,884
<i>District 7</i>				
Edgecombe	673	179,202	0	0
Nash	593	180,109	17	2,500
Wilson	747	208,201	6	850
District Totals	2,013	567,512	23	3,350

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem Number of Cases and Expenditures July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
<i>District 8</i>				
Greene	78	24,815	3	350
Lenoir	715	144,486	3	350
Wayne	1,060	290,748	1	450
District Totals	1,853	460,049	7	1,150
<i>District 9</i>				
Franklin	303	64,447	9	1,275
Granville	477	84,002	7	875
Person	329	67,467	24	3,510
Vance	564	110,796	3	750
Warren	150	31,039	4	508
District Totals	1,823	357,751	47	6,918
<i>District 10</i>				
Wake	3,868	1,142,555	11	5,638
District Totals	3,868	1,142,555	11	5,638
<i>District 11</i>				
Harnett	573	94,059	5	350
Johnston	849	106,375	0	0
Lee	545	72,286	0	0
District Totals	1,967	272,720	5	350
<i>District 12</i>				
Cumberland	350	190,699	23	1,727
Hoke	19	24,206	1	50
District Totals	369	214,905	24	1,777
<i>District 13</i>				
Bladen	368	70,397	5	2,682
Brunswick	435	111,204	18	2,555
Columbus	580	125,761	32	5,442
District Totals	1,383	307,362	55	10,679
<i>District 14</i>				
Durham	2,888	675,702	22	5,795
District Totals	2,888	675,702	22	5,795
<i>District 15A</i>				
Alamance	989	227,193	1	50
District Totals	989	227,193	1	50
<i>District 15B</i>				
Chatham	85	28,032	6	1,055
Orange	228	53,761	14	1,610
District Totals	313	81,793	20	2,665

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem Number of Cases and Expenditures July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
<i>District 16</i>				
Robeson	1,394	333,866	67	5,819
Scotland	<u>578</u>	<u>125,190</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>1,840</u>
District Totals	1,972	459,056	88	7,659
<i>District 17A</i>				
Caswell	147	29,318	12	975
Rockingham	<u>925</u>	<u>181,267</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>725</u>
District Totals	1,072	210,585	21	1,700
<i>District 17B</i>				
Stokes	200	67,743	1	100
Surry	<u>695</u>	<u>146,034</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>1,275</u>
District Totals	895	213,777	13	1,375
<i>District 18</i>				
Guilford	<u>486</u>	<u>147,310</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>6,611</u>
District Totals	486	147,310	43	6,611
<i>District 19A</i>				
Cabarrus	698	180,282	29	4,225
Rowan	<u>1,004</u>	<u>196,168</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>8,146</u>
District Totals	1,702	376,450	83	12,371
<i>District 19B</i>				
Montgomery	264	63,295	17	2,420
Randolph	<u>715</u>	<u>154,108</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>3,465</u>
District Totals	979	217,403	53	5,885
<i>District 20</i>				
Anson	354	83,403	0	0
Moore	553	105,831	28	3,350
Richmond	731	172,300	20	2,400
Stanly	330	73,319	12	1,500
Union	<u>920</u>	<u>191,843</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>3,750</u>
District Totals	2,888	626,696	95	11,000
<i>District 21</i>				
Forsyth	<u>3,363</u>	<u>607,366</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>6,710</u>
District Totals	3,363	607,366	48	6,710
<i>District 22</i>				
Alexander	240	55,765	4	1,075
Davidson	1,350	334,060	46	6,685
Davie	148	33,747	1	100
Iredell	<u>871</u>	<u>215,391</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>1,150</u>
District Totals	2,609	638,963	58	9,010

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem Number of Cases and Expenditures July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
<i>District 23</i>				
Alleghany	62	7,546	11	850
Ashe	163	20,498	12	1,250
Wilkes	531	94,084	36	3,325
Yadkin	161	25,759	18	1,750
District Totals	917	147,887	77	7,175
<i>District 24</i>				
Avery	199	38,350	4	1,950
Madison	103	88,589	2	1,950
Mitchell	64	14,197	3	400
Watauga	237	52,724	8	3,175
Yancey	58	15,635	8	1,195
District Totals	661	209,495	25	8,670
<i>District 25</i>				
Burke	602	150,071	5	900
Caldwell	622	133,182	4	2,182
Catawba	1,396	294,390	3	385
District Totals	2,620	577,643	12	3,467
<i>District 26</i>				
Mecklenburg	2,358	800,535	58	13,297
District Totals	2,358	800,535	58	13,297
<i>District 27A</i>				
Gaston	171	47,279	19	3,295
District Totals	171	47,279	19	3,295
<i>District 27B</i>				
Cleveland	524	120,003	35	3,385
Lincoln	213	66,921	1	75
District Totals	737	186,924	36	3,460
<i>District 28</i>				
Buncombe	381	78,591	16	1,790
District Totals	381	78,591	16	1,790
<i>District 29</i>				
Henderson	416	105,075	9	2,837
McDowell	248	66,139	7	1,075
Polk	71	28,280	0	0
Rutherford	398	98,751	4	450
Transylvania	127	45,488	1	125
District Totals	1,260	343,733	21	4,487

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem Number of Cases and Expenditures July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
<i>District 30</i>				
Cherokee	107	41,250	8	570
Clay	19	6,816	0	0
Graham	32	7,607	6	400
Haywood	369	104,474	23	1,995
Jackson	82	29,041	13	861
Macon	257	34,398	9	1,435
Swain	68	12,104	7	744
District Totals	934	235,690	66	6,005
STATE TOTALS	49,981	\$12,258,375	1,358	\$183,411

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL
(Positions and salaries authorized as of June 30, 1987)

Positions Authorized		Salary Ranges
SUPREME COURT		
7	Justices	\$ 72,600-74,136*
28	Staff personnel (Clerk's and Reporter's offices, law clerks, library staff)	\$ 11,652-54,624
7	Secretarial personnel	\$ 23,352-24,348
COURT OF APPEALS		
12	Judges	\$ 68,748-70,284*
39	Staff personnel (Clerk's office, prehearing staff, Judicial Standards Commission staff, law clerks)	\$ 13,956-47,580
12	Secretarial personnel	\$ 22,356-23,352
SUPERIOR COURT		
72	Judges	\$ 61,044-63,048*
80	Staff personnel	\$ 18,996-38,004
67	Secretarial personnel	\$ 12,648-27,540
DISTRICT COURT		
151	Judges	\$ 49,428-51,396*
637	Magistrates	\$ 13,404-22,896
29	Staff personnel	\$ 13,668-21,156
17	Secretarial personnel	\$ 13,152-23,100
DISTRICT ATTORNEYS		
35	District Attorneys	\$ 56,784*
273	Staff personnel	\$ 17,472-36,732
112	Secretarial personnel	\$ 13,152-23,100
CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT		
100	Clerks of Superior Court	\$ 33,072-49,068*
1,635	Staff personnel	\$ 13,152-28,176
INDIGENT REPRESENTATION		
1	Appellate Defender	\$ 56,784
6	Assistant Appellate Defenders	\$ 26,508-38,508
3	Secretarial personnel	\$ 14,244-21,156
7	Public Defenders	\$ 56,784*
70	Staff personnel	\$ 16,104-36,732
21	Secretarial personnel	\$ 13,152-23,100
4	Special counsel at mental hospitals	\$ 11,034-28,644
4	Secretarial personnel	\$ 12,648-19,416
1	Guardian ad Litem, Program Administrator	\$ 37,584
21	Program Coordinators	\$ 9,918-23,100
2	Program Analyst	\$ 11,550-20,700
13	Secretarial personnel	\$ 6,324-15,792
JUVENILE PROBATION AND AFTERCARE		
272	Court counselors	\$ 18,192-41,736
45	Secretarial personnel	\$ 13,152-23,100
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS		
1	Administrative Officer of the Courts	\$ 63,048
1	Assistant Director	\$ 51,396
153	Staff personnel	\$ 13,152-63,000

*In addition to the salaries given here, these categories are entitled to a longevity allowance for years of service.

PART IV

TRIAL COURTS CASEFLOW DATA

- **Superior Court Division**
- **District Court Division**

TRIAL COURTS CASE DATA

This part of the *Annual Report* presents pertinent data on a district-by-district and county-by-county basis. For ease of reference, this part is divided into a superior court division section and a district court division section.

The data within the two sections generally parallel each other in terms of organization, with each section subdivided into civil and criminal case categories. With some exceptions, there are three basic data tables for each case category: a caseload inventory (filings, dispositions and pending) table; a table on the manner of dispositions; and a table on ages of cases disposed of during the year and ages of cases pending at the end of the year. Pending and age data are not provided for district court motor vehicle criminal cases, for civil cases (small claims) referred to magistrates, and for juvenile cases, inasmuch as these categories of cases are not reported by case file number.

The caseload inventory tables provide a statistical picture of caseflow during the 1986-87 year. Items recorded in this table include the number of cases pending at the beginning of the year, the number of new cases filed, the number of cases disposed of during the year, and the number of cases left pending at the end of the year. The caseload inventory also shows the total caseload (the number pending at the beginning of the year plus the number filed during the year) and the percentage of the caseload which was disposed of during the year.

The aging tables show the ages of the cases pending on June 30, 1987 as well as the ages of the cases disposed of during 1986-87. These tables also show both mean (average) and median ages for each set of cases—those pending at the end of the year and those that were disposed of during the year. The median age of a group of cases is, by definition, the age of a hypothetical case which is older than 50% of the total set of cases and younger than the other 50%.

Unlike the median, the mean age can be substantially raised (or lowered) if even a small number of very old (or very young) cases are included. For example, if only a single two-year old case was included among ten cases aged three months, the median age would be 90 days and the mean (average) age would be 148.2 days. A substantial difference between the median and average ages, therefore,

indicates the presence of a number of rather long-pending, or short-pending, cases.

The case statistics in Part IV have been calculated from filing and disposition case data submitted to the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) by the 100 clerks of superior court across the State. The present case reporting system is primarily a manual one: weekly reports from each clerk's office are mailed to Raleigh, where they are computer-coded, entered and processed. Pending case information is computer-calculated from the filing and disposition data. The accuracy of the pending case figures is, of course, dependent upon timely and accurate filing and disposition data.

Periodic comparisons by clerk personnel of their actual pending case files against AOC's computer-produced pending case lists, followed by indicated corrections, is necessary to maintain completely accurate data in the AOC computer file. Yet, staff resource in the clerks' offices is not sufficient to make such physical inventory checks as frequently and as completely as would be necessary to maintain full accuracy in AOC's computer files. Thus, it is recognized that some of the figures published in the following tables have errors of some degree.

Another accuracy-related problem inherent in a manual reporting system is the lack of absolute consistency in the published year-end and year-beginning pending figures. The number of cases pending at the end of a reporting year should ideally be identical with the number of published pending cases at the *beginning* of the next reporting year. In reality, this is rarely the case. Experience has shown that inevitably some filings and dispositions which occurred in the preceding year do not get reported until the subsequent year. The later-reported data is regarded as being more complete reporting and is used, thereby producing some differences between the prior year's end-pending figures and the current year's beginning-pending figures.

Notwithstanding the indicated limitations in the data reporting and data-processing system, it is believed that the published figures are sufficiently adequate to fully justify their use. In any event, the published figures are the best and most accurate data currently available.

PART IV, Section 1

Superior Court Division

Caseflow Data

The Superior Court Division

This section contains data tables and accompanying charts depicting the caseload during the 1986-87 year of cases pending, filed, and disposed of in the State's superior courts; that is, cases before superior court judges. Data is also presented on cases pending, filed and disposed of before the 100 clerks of superior court, who have original jurisdiction over estate cases and special proceedings.

There are, for statistical reporting purposes, three categories of cases filed in the superior courts: civil cases, felony cases which are within the original jurisdiction of the superior courts, and misdemeanor appeals from the district courts to superior courts, for trial *de novo*.

During 1986-87, as in previous years, the greatest proportion of superior court filings were felonies (51.8%), followed by misdemeanor appeals (32.6%) and civil cases (15.6%). The general trend over the past decade has been for increases in the total number of case filings. During 1986-87, total case filings in superior courts increased by 8.3% from the proceeding fiscal year (from 91,336 total cases to 98,886). Filings of civil cases increased by 1.6%, felony filings increased by 13.8%, and misdemeanor appeal filings increased by 3.4%.

As in previous years, superior court civil cases generally take much longer to dispose of than do criminal cases. During 1986-87, the median age at disposition of civil cases was 299 days, compared to a median age at disposition of 91 days for felonies and 71 days for misdemeanors. A similar pattern exists for the ages of pending cases. The median ages of superior court cases pending at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1987, was 224 days for civil cases, 88 days for felonies, and 83 days for misdemeanors.

These differences in the median ages of civil versus criminal cases in superior courts can be attributed in part to the priority given criminal cases. In criminal cases, a defendant has a right to a "speedy trial" guaranteed by both the United States and North Carolina Constitutions and by the North Carolina Speedy Trial Act (G.S. 15A-701 *et seq.*). The Speedy Trial Act requires cases to go to trial within 120 days of filing unless there has been justifiable delay for one or more of the reasons set out in the statute. During 1986-87, 48 criminal cases were dismissed under the Speedy Trial Act, a decrease of 11.1% as compared to the 54 cases which were dismissed under the Act during 1985-86.

There is no comparable *statutory* standard for speedy disposition of civil cases in North Carolina, although the North Carolina Constitution does provide that "right and justice shall be administered without favor, denial, or delay" (Article I, Section 18, N.C. Constitution).

Comparing 1986-87 median-age data with the same information from 1985-86, it is seen that the median ages at disposition have increased for both civil and criminal cases. From 1985-86 to 1986-87, the median ages at disposition increased for civil cases, from 289 to 299 days; increased for felonies, from 86 to 91 days; and increased for misdemeanors, from 67 to 71 days. As to the ages of cases pending on June 30, 1987, compared to the ages of cases pending on June 30, 1986, it is seen that the median ages of pending cases have remained the same for civil cases, but increased for felonies and misdemeanors. The median age of civil cases pending in the superior courts on June 30, 1987 was 224 days, matching the 224 days on June 30, 1986; for felonies, 88 days on June 30, 1987, compared to 83 days on June 30, 1986; and for misdemeanors, 83 days on June 30, 1987, compared to 74 days on June 30, 1986.

The three major case categories (civil, felonies, and misdemeanors) may be broken down into more specific case types.

Negligence cases comprised 45.3% of total civil filings in superior courts (6,986 of 15,408 total civil filings). Contract cases comprised the next largest category of civil case filings, 24.2% (3,737 filings).

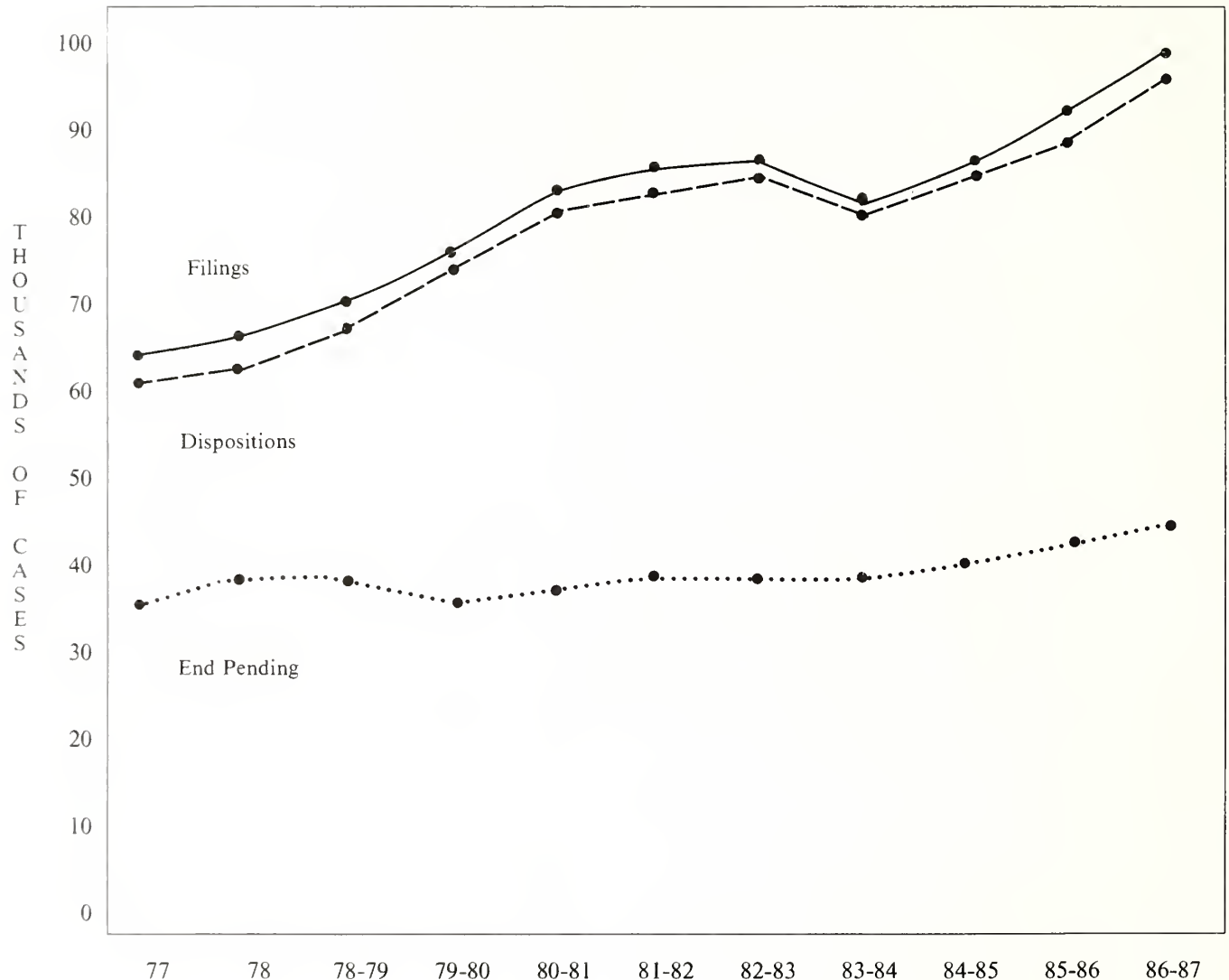
Felony case filings were dominated by controlled substance violation, 19.9% (10,191 of 51,210 total filings), burglary, 17.6% (8,995 filings), and forgery and utterings, 13.7% (7,032 filings).

Non-motor vehicle appeals comprised 52.5% of misdemeanor filings in superior courts (16,941 of 32,268 total filings).

Tables which follow present data on the manner of disposition of superior court cases. Jury trials continue to account for a low percentage of case dispositions: 6.2% of civil cases (949 of 15,172 civil dispositions); 4.0% of felonies (1,950 of 48,890 felony dispositions); and 3.5% of misdemeanors (1,122 of 32,246 misdemeanor dispositions). Over half (54.3%) of all civil dispositions were by voluntary dismissal (8,239 of 15,172 civil dispositions). As in previous years, most criminal cases are disposed of by guilty plea; 62.7% of all felony (30,593 of 48,890), and 36.2% of all misdemeanor dispositions (11,657 of 32,246) were by guilty plea, with most of these being to the offense as charged.

CASELOAD TRENDS IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

1977—1986-87

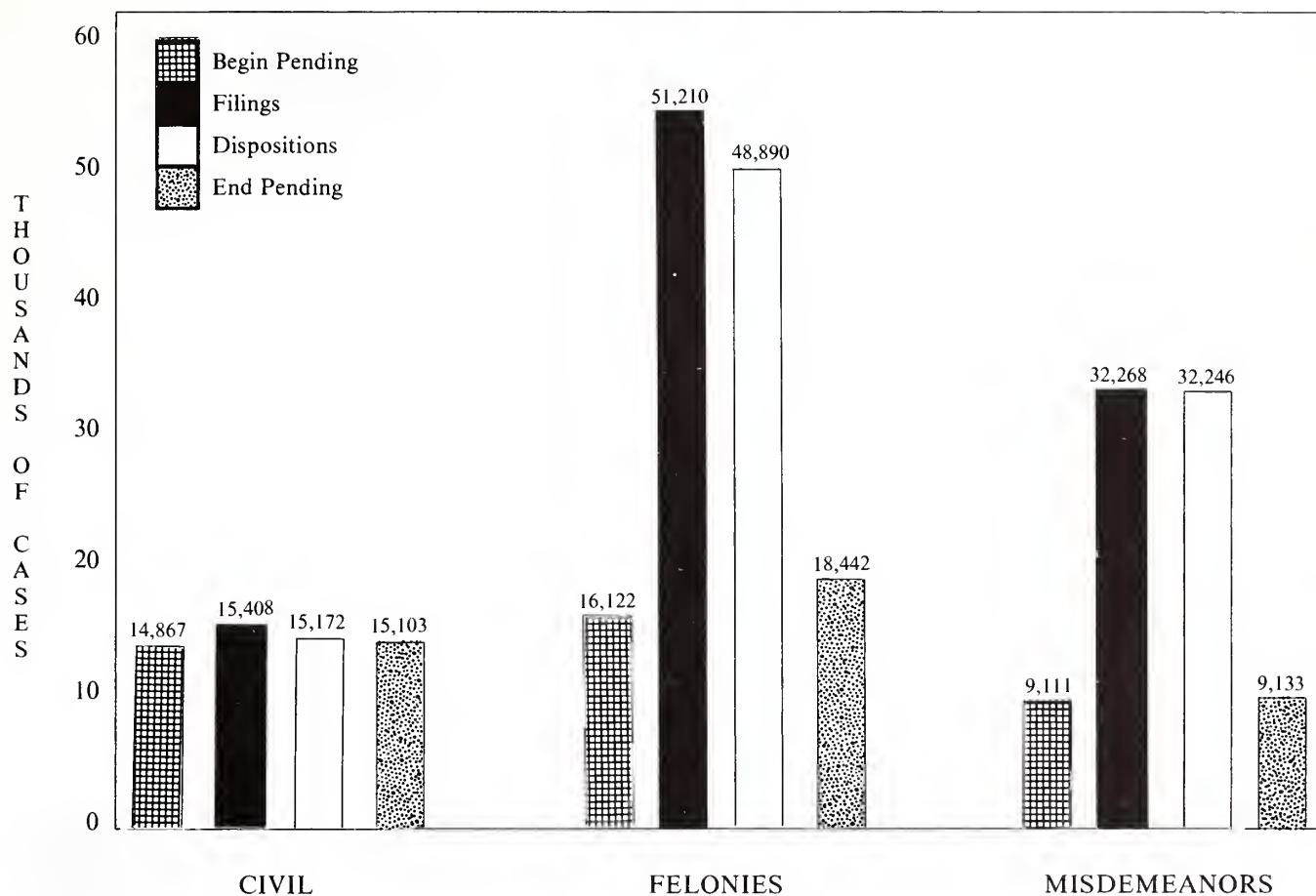


Following a slower rate of increase in the early 1980's, filings and dispositions in superior court appear to have resumed the earlier pattern of significant annual increases.

During 1986-87, filings increased by 8.3% and dispositions by 9.3% over the 1985-86 year.

SUPERIOR COURT CASELOAD

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

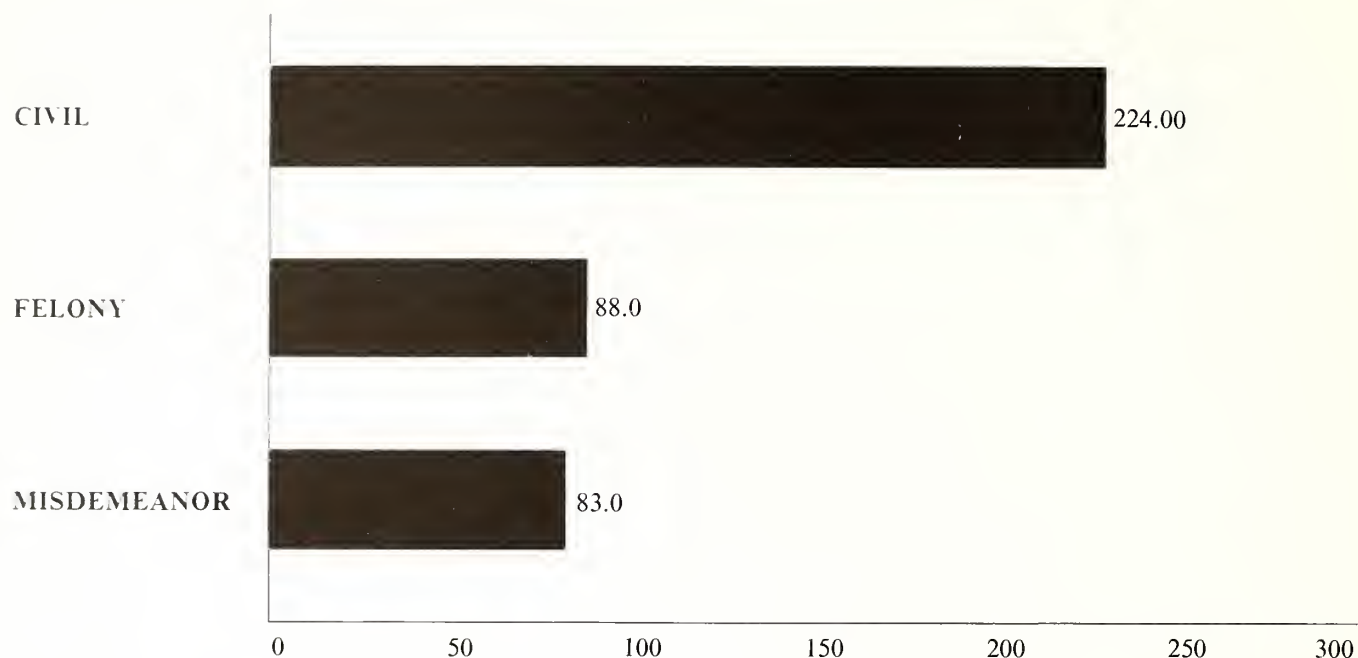


Compared to last year, superior court filings increased in all categories. During fiscal year 1986-87, felony filings increased 13.8%, misdemeanor filings 3.4%, and civil filings 1.6%. Dispositions also increased in each category,

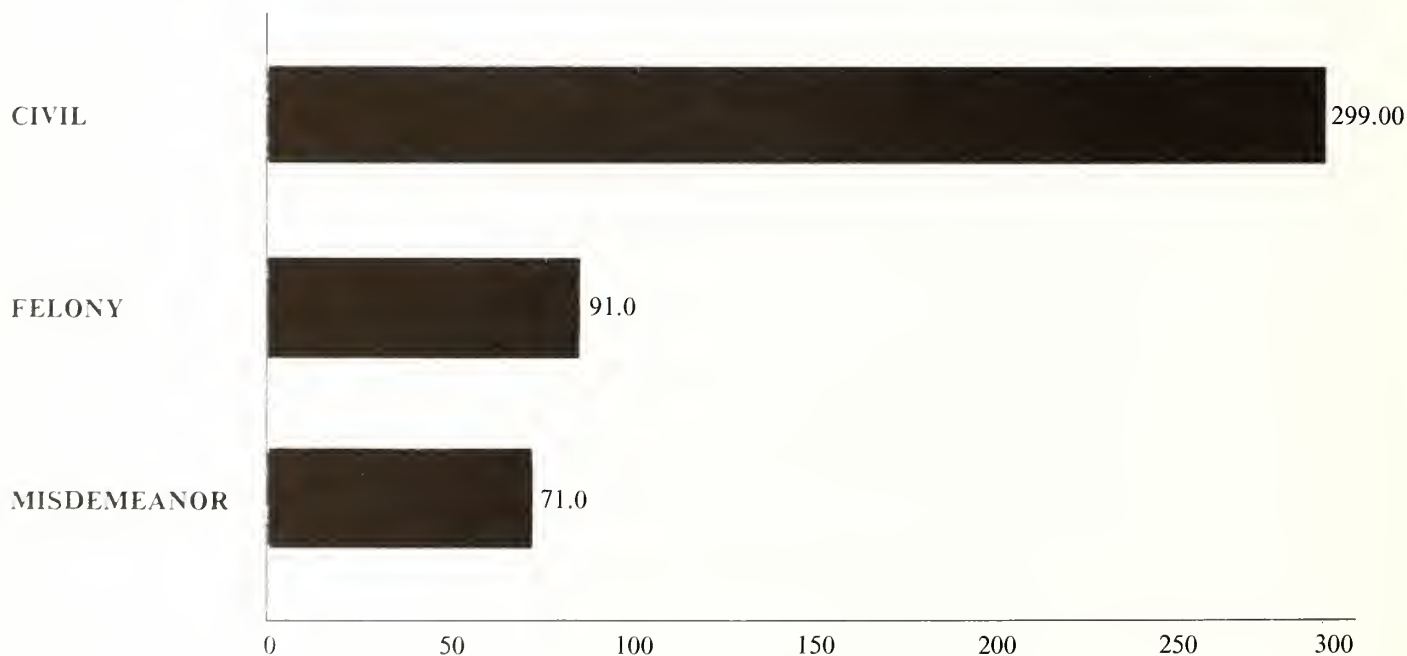
leaving 42,678 cases pending in superior court on June 30, 1987, a 6.2% increase from the number of cases pending on June 30, 1986.

MEDIAN AGES OF SUPERIOR COURT CASES

Median Ages (in days) of Cases Pending June 30, 1987



Median Ages (in days) of Cases Disposed of During 1986-87

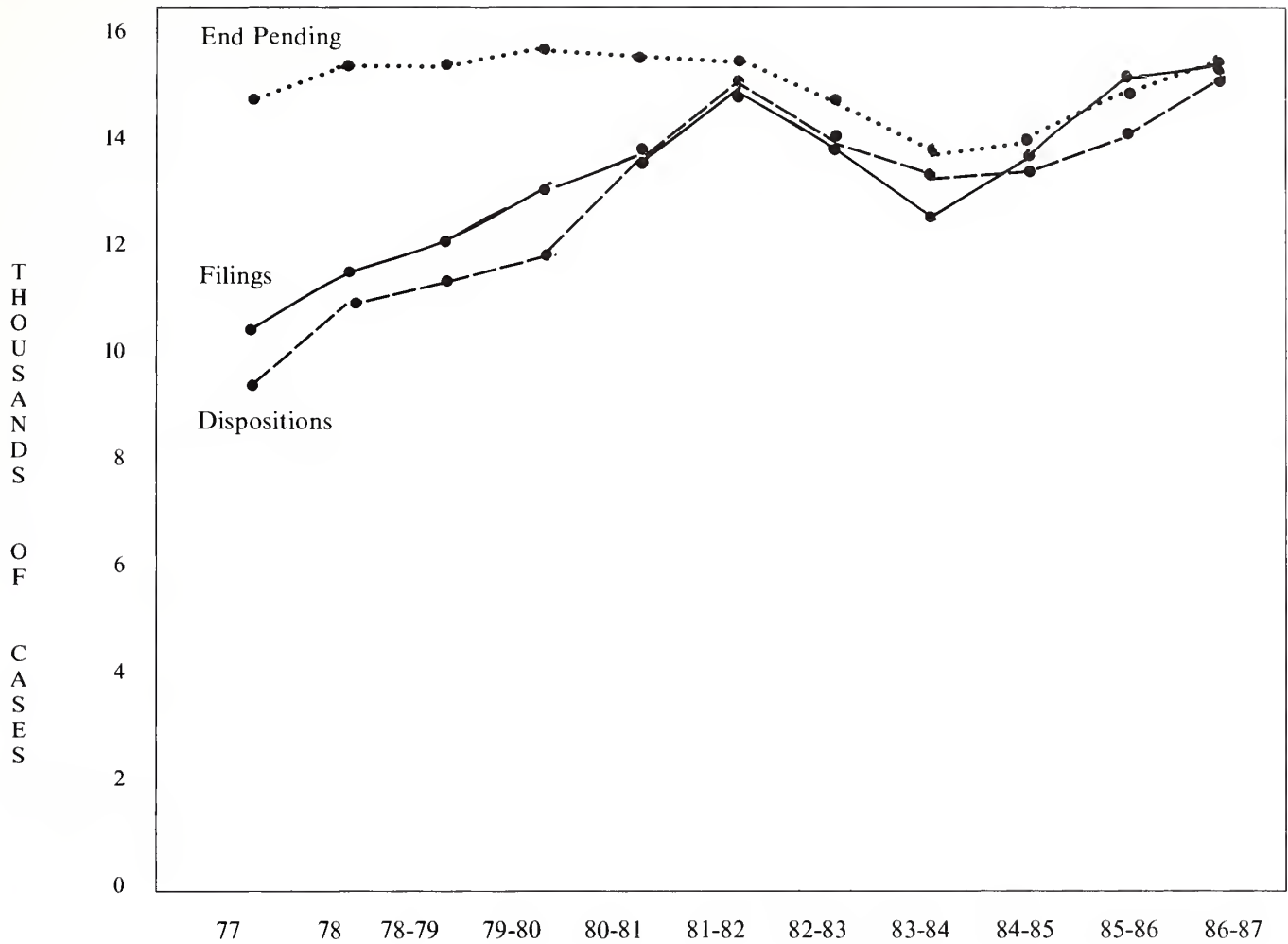


The median age is the age with respect to which 50% of all cases in the category are younger and 50% of all cases are older than the median age; it is the 50th percentile of ages of all cases in the category. As shown in the above graphs, the median ages of all civil superior court cases pending

and disposed during fiscal year 1986-87 are greater than the median ages of criminal superior court cases pending and disposed. Civil cases take longer to process than do criminal cases.

CASELOAD TRENDS OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

1977 — 1986-87

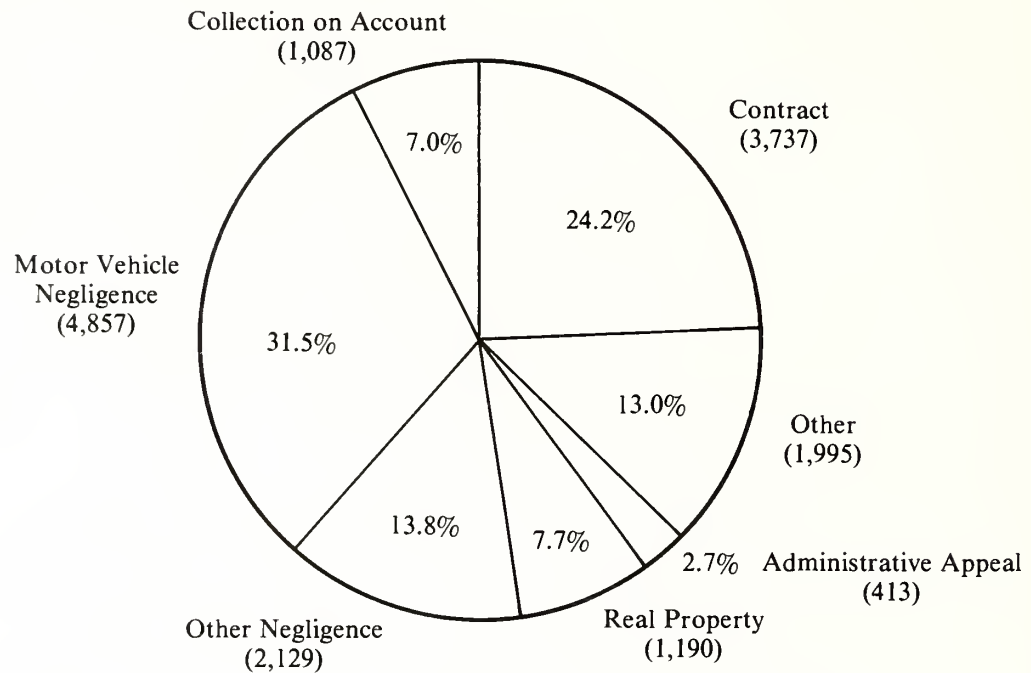


Civil filings in the superior courts increased 1.6% (251 cases) in comparison to the 1985-86 year. Dispositions increased sharply by 7.7%, which accounted for the small

increase (188 cases) in end pending cases as of June 30, 1987.

FILINGS OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS — BY TYPE OF CASE

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987



As was the case for the past two years, almost half (45.3%) of the civil cases filed statewide during 1986-87 were negligence cases (6,986 of the 15,408 total filings). The

“other” category includes non-negligent torts such as conversion of property, civil fraud, and civil assault.

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 1</u>						
Camden	9	11	20	7	35.0%	13
Chowan	40	22	62	30	48.4%	32
Currituck	33	37	70	27	38.6%	43
Dare	106	99	205	101	49.3%	104
Gates	11	13	24	11	45.8%	13
Pasquotank	65	49	114	56	49.1%	58
Perquimans	17	17	34	19	55.9%	15
District Totals	281	248	529	251	47.4%	278
<u>District 2</u>						
Beaufort	88	73	161	77	47.8%	84
Hyde	13	11	24	6	25.0%	18
Martin	42	41	83	30	36.1%	53
Tyrrell	11	7	18	10	55.6%	8
Washington	43	17	60	29	48.3%	31
District Totals	197	149	346	152	43.9%	194
<u>District 3</u>						
Carteret	179	188	367	154	42.0%	213
Craven	189	218	407	197	48.4%	210
Pamlico	12	15	27	12	44.4%	15
Pitt	267	334	601	319	53.1%	282
District Totals	647	755	1,402	682	48.6%	720
<u>District 4</u>						
Duplin	89	83	172	71	41.3%	101
Jones	27	13	40	21	52.5%	19
Onslow	267	270	537	203	37.8%	334
Sampson	70	82	152	82	53.9%	70
District Totals	453	448	901	377	41.8%	524
<u>District 5</u>						
New Hanover	395	403	798	363	45.5%	435
Pender	39	41	80	31	38.8%	49
District Totals	434	444	878	394	44.9%	484
<u>District 6</u>						
Bertie	25	38	63	33	52.4%	30
Halifax	74	90	164	80	48.8%	84
Hertford	54	34	88	55	62.5%	33
Northampton	34	30	64	25	39.1%	39
District Totals	187	192	379	193	50.9%	186
<u>District 7</u>						
Edgecombe	97	127	224	107	47.8%	117
Nash	171	148	319	170	53.3%	149
Wilson	129	110	239	119	49.8%	120
District Totals	397	385	782	396	50.6%	386
<u>District 8</u>						
Greene	34	32	66	25	37.9%	41
Lenoir	194	201	395	190	48.1%	205
Wayne	223	200	423	207	48.9%	216
District Totals	451	433	884	422	47.7%	462

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 9</u>						
Franklin	57	59	116	38	32.8%	78
Granville	49	53	102	56	54.9%	46
Person	37	59	96	39	40.6%	57
Vance	47	68	115	52	45.2%	63
Warren	36	33	69	33	47.8%	36
District Totals	226	272	498	218	43.8%	280
<u>District 10</u>						
Wake	1,283	1,442	2,725	1,261	46.3%	1,464
<u>District 11</u>						
Harnett	106	134	240	117	48.8%	123
Johnston	163	214	377	190	50.4%	187
Lee	81	95	176	100	56.8%	76
District Totals	350	443	793	407	51.3%	386
<u>District 12</u>						
Cumberland	537	374	911	432	47.4%	479
Hoke	16	18	34	15	44.1%	19
District Totals	553	392	945	447	47.3%	498
<u>District 13</u>						
Bladen	30	43	73	51	69.9%	22
Brunswick	95	99	194	68	35.1%	126
Columbus	157	119	276	115	41.7%	161
District Totals	282	261	543	234	43.1%	309
<u>District 14</u>						
Durham	560	552	1,112	523	47.0%	589
<u>District 15A</u>						
Alamance	186	166	352	156	44.3%	196
<u>District 15B</u>						
Chatham	43	35	78	41	52.6%	37
Orange	137	198	335	163	48.7%	172
District Totals	180	233	413	204	49.4%	209
<u>District 16</u>						
Robeson	208	189	397	218	54.9%	179
Scotland	62	49	111	68	61.3%	43
District Totals	270	238	508	286	56.3%	222
<u>District 17A</u>						
Caswell	13	12	25	14	56.0%	11
Rockingham	101	119	220	133	60.5%	87
District Totals	114	131	245	147	60.0%	98
<u>District 17B</u>						
Stokes	22	26	48	27	56.3%	21
Surry	63	105	168	98	58.3%	70
District Totals	85	131	216	125	57.9%	91

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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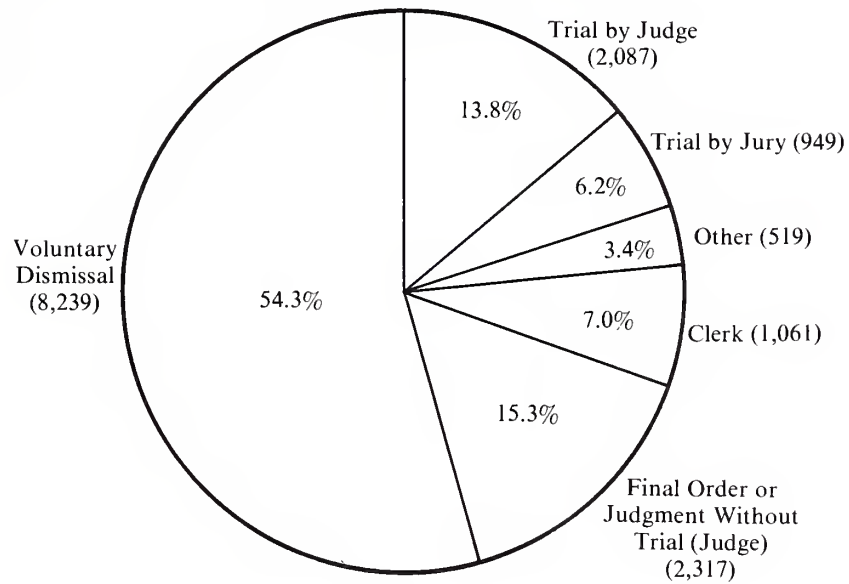
	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 18</u>						
Guilford	968	1,005	1,973	1,146	58.1%	827
<u>District 19A</u>						
Cabarrus	131	146	277	146	52.7%	131
Rowan	133	168	301	149	49.5%	152
District Totals	264	314	578	295	51.0%	283
<u>District 19B</u>						
Montgomery	23	20	43	27	62.8%	16
Randolph	110	103	213	121	56.8%	92
District Totals	133	123	256	148	57.8%	108
<u>District 20</u>						
Anson	59	58	117	50	42.7%	67
Moore	156	88	244	144	59.0%	100
Richmond	96	82	178	86	48.3%	92
Stanly	69	60	129	50	38.8%	79
Union	148	151	299	141	47.2%	158
District Totals	528	439	967	471	48.7%	496
<u>District 21</u>						
Forsyth	478	707	1,185	664	56.0%	521
<u>District 22</u>						
Alexander	28	36	64	31	48.4%	33
Davidson	131	161	292	165	56.5%	127
Davie	35	32	67	40	59.7%	27
Iredell	153	213	366	206	56.3%	160
District Totals	347	442	789	442	56.0%	347
<u>District 23</u>						
Alleghany	8	15	23	10	43.5%	13
Ashe	16	19	35	22	62.9%	13
Wilkes	148	138	286	161	56.3%	125
Yadkin	34	40	74	34	45.9%	40
District Totals	206	212	418	227	54.3%	191
<u>District 24</u>						
Avery	48	40	88	36	40.9%	52
Madison	94	37	131	57	43.5%	74
Mitchell	32	18	50	28	56.0%	22
Watauga	59	103	162	68	42.0%	94
Yancey	15	23	38	12	31.6%	26
District Totals	248	221	469	201	42.9%	268
<u>District 25</u>						
Burke	164	157	321	178	55.5%	143
Caldwell	170	178	348	174	50.0%	174
Catawba	250	293	543	321	59.1%	222
District Totals	584	628	1,212	673	55.5%	539
<u>District 26</u>						
Mecklenburg	2,237	2,256	4,493	2,150	47.9%	2,343

**CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES
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	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 27A</u>						
Gaston	355	531	886	500	56.4%	386
<u>District 27B</u>						
Cleveland	137	135	272	158	58.1%	114
Lincoln	49	63	112	57	50.9%	55
District Totals	186	198	384	215	56.0%	169
<u>District 28</u>						
Buncombe	401	473	874	538	61.6%	336
<u>District 29</u>						
Henderson	156	124	280	134	47.9%	146
McDowell	64	42	106	42	39.6%	64
Polk	24	14	38	26	68.4%	12
Rutherford	96	62	158	73	46.2%	85
Transylvania	73	47	120	49	40.8%	71
District Totals	413	289	702	324	46.2%	378
<u>District 30</u>						
Cherokee	39	24	63	32	50.8%	31
Clay	10	9	19	8	42.1%	11
Graham	27	18	45	21	46.7%	24
Haywood	142	79	221	108	48.9%	113
Jackson	58	42	100	51	51.0%	49
Macon	78	53	131	49	37.4%	82
Swain	29	30	59	34	57.6%	25
District Totals	383	255	638	303	47.5%	335
State Totals	14,867	15,408	30,275	15,172	50.1%	15,103

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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As in previous years, voluntary dismissals account for the largest number of civil case dispositions in superior courts. The next most prominent category, pretrial orders and judgments by the judge, includes summary and consent judgments, and orders changing venue. The "other"

category includes miscellaneous dispositions such as discontinuance for lack of service of process under Civil Rule 4(e), dismissal on motion of the court, and removal to federal court.

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
<u>District 1</u>							
Camden	1	0	2	2	1	1	7
Chowan	2	2	12	8	5	1	30
Currituck	0	10	9	5	2	1	27
Dare	1	16	56	14	3	11	101
Gates	1	0	7	0	2	1	11
Pasquotank	3	10	26	7	10	0	56
Perquimans	1	1	7	6	2	2	19
District Totals	9	39	119	42	25	17	251
% of Total	3.6%	15.5%	47.4%	16.7%	10.0%	6.8%	100.0%
<u>District 2</u>							
Beaufort	5	3	39	23	3	4	77
Hyde	0	0	2	1	3	0	6
Martin	1	0	14	14	1	0	30
Tyrrell	0	2	1	4	0	3	10
Washington	0	4	7	16	2	0	29
District Totals	6	9	63	58	9	7	152
% of Total	3.9%	5.9%	41.4%	38.2%	5.9%	4.6%	100.0%
<u>District 3</u>							
Carteret	8	26	74	21	13	12	154
Craven	8	21	100	35	20	13	197
Pamlico	0	0	8	2	1	1	12
Pitt	20	58	174	44	23	0	319
District Totals	36	105	356	102	57	26	682
% of Total	5.3%	15.4%	52.2%	15.0%	8.4%	3.8%	100.0%
<u>District 4</u>							
Duplin	14	1	36	9	8	3	71
Jones	0	0	10	4	6	1	21
Onslow	12	9	99	60	22	1	203
Sampson	6	16	51	3	5	1	82
District Totals	32	26	196	76	41	6	377
% of Total	8.5%	6.9%	52.0%	20.2%	10.9%	1.6%	100.0%
<u>District 5</u>							
New Hanover	21	72	207	54	8	1	363
Pender	1	1	16	11	0	2	31
District Totals	22	73	223	65	8	3	394
% of Total	5.6%	18.5%	56.6%	16.5%	2.0%	0.8%	100.0%
<u>District 6</u>							
Bertie	1	2	16	9	4	1	33
Halifax	4	15	34	17	8	2	80
Hertford	4	3	33	7	3	5	55
Northampton	2	9	10	1	2	1	25
District Totals	11	29	93	34	17	9	193
% of Total	5.7%	15.0%	48.2%	17.6%	8.8%	4.7%	100.0%
<u>District 7</u>							
Edgecombe	3	7	65	22	8	2	107
Nash	5	11	78	62	12	2	170
Wilson	9	13	60	23	12	2	119
District Totals	17	31	203	107	32	6	396
% of Total	4.3%	7.8%	51.3%	27.0%	8.1%	1.5%	100.0%

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	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
<u>District 8</u>							
Greene	0	0	13	9	0	3	25
Lenoir	12	9	108	35	26	0	190
Wayne	13	19	121	34	20	0	207
District Totals	25	28	242	78	46	3	422
% of Total	5.9%	6.6%	57.3%	18.5%	10.9%	0.7%	100.0%
<u>District 9</u>							
Franklin	5	0	23	8	2	0	38
Granville	2	6	30	11	2	5	56
Person	3	12	16	6	1	1	39
Vance	2	14	29	5	0	2	52
Warren	2	3	19	7	1	1	33
District Totals	14	35	117	37	6	9	218
% of Total	6.4%	16.1%	53.7%	17.0%	2.8%	4.1%	100.0%
<u>District 10</u>							
Wake	61	279	614	102	127	78	1,261
% of Total	4.8%	22.1%	48.7%	8.1%	10.1%	6.2%	100.0%
<u>District 11</u>							
Harnett	14	14	68	15	5	1	117
Johnston	14	0	85	70	19	2	190
Lee	13	8	57	19	1	2	100
District Totals	41	22	210	104	25	5	407
% of Total	10.1%	5.4%	51.6%	25.6%	6.1%	1.2%	100.0%
<u>District 12</u>							
Cumberland	19	67	253	52	16	25	432
Hoke	1	8	6	0	0	0	15
District Totals	20	75	259	52	16	25	447
% of Total	4.5%	16.8%	57.9%	11.6%	3.6%	5.6%	100.0%
<u>District 13</u>							
Bladen	3	8	26	12	1	1	51
Brunswick	5	15	41	6	1	0	68
Columbus	9	23	66	1	8	8	115
District Totals	17	46	133	19	10	9	234
% of Total	7.3%	19.7%	56.8%	8.1%	4.3%	3.8%	100.0%
<u>District 14</u>							
Durham	28	22	297	108	51	17	523
% of Total	5.4%	4.2%	56.8%	20.7%	9.8%	3.3%	100.0%
<u>District 15A</u>							
Alamance	7	3	87	55	3	1	156
% of Total	4.5%	1.9%	55.8%	35.3%	1.9%	0.6%	100.0%
<u>District 15B</u>							
Chatham	2	5	27	6	0	1	41
Orange	11	26	95	20	7	4	163
District Totals	13	31	122	26	7	5	204
% of Total	6.4%	15.2%	59.8%	12.7%	3.4%	2.5%	100.0%
<u>District 16</u>							
Robeson	28	55	123	2	6	4	218
Scotland	1	11	40	15	1	0	68
District Totals	29	66	163	17	7	4	286
% of Total	10.1%	23.1%	57.0%	5.9%	2.4%	1.4%	100.0%

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
<u>District 17A</u>							
Caswell	1	0	8	5	0	0	14
Rockingham	4	21	59	33	11	5	133
District Totals	5	21	67	38	11	5	147
% of Total	3.4%	14.3%	45.6%	25.9%	7.5%	3.4%	100.0%
<u>District 17B</u>							
Stokes	6	2	13	6	0	0	27
Surry	9	7	57	13	12	0	98
District Totals	15	9	70	19	12	0	125
% of Total	12.0%	7.2%	56.0%	15.2%	9.6%	0.0%	100.0%
<u>District 18</u>							
Guilford	54	262	618	91	45	76	1,146
% of Total	4.7%	22.9%	53.9%	7.9%	3.9%	6.6%	100.0%
<u>District 19A</u>							
Cabarrus	3	17	98	19	8	1	146
Rowan	12	3	81	44	4	5	149
District Totals	15	20	179	63	12	6	295
% of Total	5.1%	6.8%	60.7%	21.4%	4.1%	2.0%	100.0%
<u>District 19B</u>							
Montgomery	0	3	17	2	3	2	27
Randolph	11	20	58	21	8	3	121
District Totals	11	23	75	23	11	5	148
% of Total	7.4%	15.5%	50.7%	15.5%	7.4%	3.4%	100.0%
<u>District 20</u>							
Anson	3	8	27	10	2	0	50
Moore	4	21	101	8	7	3	144
Richmond	1	28	41	4	9	3	86
Stanly	4	13	27	6	0	0	50
Union	14	25	74	14	12	2	141
District Totals	26	95	270	42	30	8	471
% of Total	5.5%	20.2%	57.3%	8.9%	6.4%	1.7%	100.0%
<u>District 21</u>							
Forsyth	44	34	345	139	51	51	664
% of Total	6.6%	5.1%	52.0%	20.9%	7.7%	7.7%	100.0%
<u>District 22</u>							
Alexander	4	0	13	10	2	2	31
Davidson	4	21	92	41	7	0	165
Davie	3	7	23	3	3	1	40
Iredell	3	28	99	28	36	12	206
District Totals	14	56	227	82	48	15	442
% of Total	3.2%	12.7%	51.4%	18.6%	10.9%	3.4%	100.0%
<u>District 23</u>							
Alleghany	2	2	3	1	0	2	10
Ashe	0	6	12	4	0	0	22
Wilkes	7	2	85	56	11	0	161
Yadkin	2	2	18	10	2	0	34
District Totals	11	12	118	71	13	2	227
% of Total	4.8%	5.3%	52.0%	31.3%	5.7%	0.9%	100.0%

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	Trial by			Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial				
	Jury	Judge	Voluntary Dismissal		Clerk	Other	Total	Dispositions
<u>District 24</u>								
Avery	0	1	23	12	0	0	36	
Madison	13	2	13	23	1	5	57	
Mitchell	1	2	16	8	0	1	28	
Watauga	2	5	38	14	4	5	68	
Yancey	1	0	7	2	1	1	12	
District Totals	17	10	97	59	6	12	201	
% of Total	8.5%	5.0%	48.3%	29.4%	3.0%	6.0%	100.0%	
<u>District 25</u>								
Burke	17	34	99	18	6	4	178	
Caldwell	9	8	95	39	15	8	174	
Catawba	12	34	174	61	36	4	321	
District Totals	38	76	368	118	57	16	673	
% of Total	5.6%	11.3%	54.7%	17.5%	8.5%	2.4%	100.0%	
<u>District 26</u>								
Mecklenburg	128	267	1342	218	170	25	2,150	
% of Total	6.0%	12.4%	62.4%	10.1%	7.9%	1.2%	100.0%	
<u>District 27A</u>								
Gaston	51	91	296	21	24	17	500	
% of Total	10.2%	18.2%	59.2%	4.2%	4.8%	3.4%	100.0%	
<u>District 27B</u>								
Cleveland	7	31	80	22	7	11	158	
Lincoln	1	4	26	22	3	1	57	
District Totals	8	35	106	44	10	12	215	
% of Total	3.7%	16.3%	49.3%	20.5%	4.7%	5.6%	100.0%	
<u>District 28</u>								
Buncombe	60	83	252	92	31	20	538	
% of Total	11.2%	15.4%	46.8%	17.1%	5.8%	3.7%	100.0%	
<u>District 29</u>								
Henderson	17	7	68	25	10	7	134	
McDowell	5	2	12	22	1	0	42	
Polk	2	1	14	6	1	2	26	
Rutherford	4	18	36	11	2	2	73	
Transylvania	5	2	35	4	3	0	49	
District Totals	33	30	165	68	17	11	324	
% of Total	10.2%	9.3%	50.9%	21.0%	5.2%	3.4%	100.0%	
<u>District 30</u>								
Cherokee	3	3	12	9	4	1	32	
Clay	1	0	6	1	0	0	8	
Graham	2	4	9	4	1	1	21	
Haywood	13	21	55	6	13	0	108	
Jackson	7	4	27	10	1	2	51	
Macon	2	10	22	9	4	2	49	
Swain	3	2	16	8	3	2	34	
District Totals	31	44	147	47	26	8	303	
% of Total	10.2%	14.5%	48.5%	15.5%	8.6%	2.6%	100.0%	
State Totals	949	2,087	8,239	2,317	1,061	519	15,172	
% of Total	6.3%	13.8%	54.3%	15.3%	7.0%	3.4%	100.0%	

AGES OF CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1987

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
<u>District 1</u>									
Camden	9	69.2%	2	15.4%	2	15.4%	13	332.4	210.0
Chowan	13	40.6%	14	43.8%	5	15.6%	32	500.4	422.5
Currituck	31	72.1%	8	18.6%	4	9.3%	43	288.0	204.0
Dare	68	65.4%	21	20.2%	15	14.4%	104	366.3	240.5
Gates	8	61.5%	3	23.1%	2	15.4%	13	433.2	301.0
Pasquotank	31	53.4%	16	27.6%	11	19.0%	58	401.2	310.5
Perquimans	11	73.3%	2	13.3%	2	13.3%	15	317.9	175.0
District Totals	171	61.5%	66	23.7%	41	14.7%	278	375.9	264.5
<u>District 2</u>									
Beaufort	48	57.1%	26	31.0%	10	11.9%	84	414.3	306.5
Hyde	7	38.9%	5	27.8%	6	33.3%	18	695.6	527.0
Martin	33	62.3%	11	20.8%	9	17.0%	53	473.6	316.0
Tyrrell	2	25.0%	1	12.5%	5	62.5%	8	739.4	920.5
Washington	13	41.9%	17	54.8%	1	3.2%	31	372.5	439.0
District Totals	103	53.1%	60	30.9%	31	16.0%	194	463.3	351.0
<u>District 3</u>									
Carteret	143	67.1%	56	26.3%	14	6.6%	213	297.7	250.0
Craven	143	68.1%	53	25.2%	14	6.7%	210	321.9	242.0
Pamlico	11	73.3%	1	6.7%	3	20.0%	15	457.1	154.0
Pitt	210	74.5%	43	15.2%	29	10.3%	282	292.5	192.5
District Totals	507	70.4%	153	21.3%	60	8.3%	720	306.1	225.0
<u>District 4</u>									
Duplin	60	59.4%	31	30.7%	10	9.9%	101	362.4	307.0
Jones	9	47.4%	5	26.3%	5	26.3%	19	783.6	376.0
Onslow	211	63.2%	75	22.5%	48	14.4%	334	389.6	262.5
Sampson	50	71.4%	14	20.0%	6	8.6%	70	295.8	214.0
District Totals	330	63.0%	125	23.9%	69	13.2%	524	386.1	266.0
<u>District 5</u>									
New Hanover	288	66.2%	111	25.5%	36	8.3%	435	301.9	246.0
Pender	34	69.4%	11	22.4%	4	8.2%	49	278.0	218.0
District Totals	322	66.5%	122	25.2%	40	8.3%	484	299.5	244.0
<u>District 6</u>									
Bertie	24	80.0%	4	13.3%	2	6.7%	30	230.0	115.0
Halifax	60	71.4%	17	20.2%	7	8.3%	84	287.0	209.0
Hertford	15	45.5%	13	39.4%	5	15.2%	33	509.2	379.0
Northampton	22	56.4%	11	28.2%	6	15.4%	39	408.8	355.0
District Totals	121	65.1%	45	24.2%	20	10.8%	186	342.7	227.0
<u>District 7</u>									
Edgecombe	86	73.5%	26	22.2%	5	4.3%	117	262.6	181.0
Nash	99	66.4%	38	25.5%	12	8.1%	149	300.4	216.0
Wilson	67	55.8%	44	36.7%	9	7.5%	120	341.1	311.5
District Totals	252	65.3%	108	28.0%	26	6.7%	386	301.6	229.0
<u>District 8</u>									
Greene	19	46.3%	20	48.8%	2	4.9%	41	411.5	406.0
Lenoir	130	63.4%	63	30.7%	12	5.9%	205	309.9	267.0
Wayne	139	64.4%	66	30.6%	11	5.1%	216	293.3	250.0
District Totals	288	62.3%	149	32.3%	25	5.4%	462	311.2	269.5

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1987

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
<u>District 9</u>									
Franklin	44	56.4%	26	33.3%	8	10.3%	78	320.5	313.5
Granville	31	67.4%	9	19.6%	6	13.0%	46	323.6	229.0
Person	46	80.7%	9	15.8%	2	3.5%	57	227.9	193.0
Vance	49	77.8%	13	20.6%	1	1.6%	63	256.1	229.0
Warren	21	58.3%	10	27.8%	5	13.9%	36	417.3	249.5
District Totals	191	68.2%	67	23.9%	22	7.9%	280	300.1	237.5
<u>District 10</u>									
Wake	994	67.9%	358	24.5%	112	7.7%	1,464	304.1	246.0
<u>District 11</u>									
Harnett	97	78.9%	24	19.5%	2	1.6%	123	218.9	145.0
Johnston	137	73.3%	48	25.7%	2	1.1%	187	239.0	162.0
Lee	55	72.4%	19	25.0%	2	2.6%	76	274.1	253.5
District Totals	289	74.9%	91	23.6%	6	1.6%	386	239.5	169.5
<u>District 12</u>									
Cumberland	294	61.4%	135	28.2%	50	10.4%	479	355.7	259.0
Hoke	15	78.9%	1	5.3%	3	15.8%	19	382.6	252.0
District Totals	309	62.0%	136	27.3%	53	10.6%	498	356.7	258.5
<u>District 13</u>									
Bladen	21	95.5%	1	4.5%	0	0.0%	22	145.5	106.5
Brunswick	72	57.1%	40	31.7%	14	11.1%	126	365.4	282.0
Columbus	84	52.2%	60	37.3%	17	10.6%	161	389.9	343.0
District Totals	177	57.3%	101	32.7%	31	10.0%	309	362.5	293.0
<u>District 14</u>									
Durham	376	63.8%	155	26.3%	58	9.8%	589	344.3	242.0
<u>District 15A</u>									
Alamance	117	59.7%	51	26.0%	28	14.3%	196	411.1	247.5
<u>District 15B</u>									
Chatham	26	70.3%	11	29.7%	0	0.0%	37	238.2	250.0
Orange	145	84.3%	26	15.1%	1	0.6%	172	185.7	124.0
District Totals	171	81.8%	37	17.7%	1	0.5%	209	195.0	138.0
<u>District 16</u>									
Robeson	140	78.2%	35	19.6%	4	2.2%	179	231.4	167.0
Scotland	32	74.4%	10	23.3%	1	2.3%	43	250.5	166.0
District Totals	172	77.5%	45	20.3%	5	2.3%	222	235.1	166.5
<u>District 17A</u>									
Caswell	9	81.8%	2	18.2%	0	0.0%	11	214.5	204.0
Rockingham	73	83.9%	11	12.6%	3	3.4%	87	210.7	152.0
District Totals	82	83.7%	13	13.3%	3	3.1%	98	211.1	173.5
<u>District 17B</u>									
Stokes	18	85.7%	3	14.3%	0	0.0%	21	178.0	119.0
Surry	66	94.3%	4	5.7%	0	0.0%	70	157.8	114.5
District Totals	84	92.3%	7	7.7%	0	0.0%	91	162.4	117.0

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	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
<u>District 18</u>									
Guilford	655	79.2%	141	17.0%	31	3.7%	827	245.7	182.0
<u>District 19A</u>									
Cabarrus	104	79.4%	24	18.3%	3	2.3%	131	206.1	144.0
Rowan	127	83.6%	22	14.5%	3	2.0%	152	229.0	199.0
District Totals	231	81.6%	46	16.3%	6	2.1%	283	218.4	182.0
<u>District 19B</u>									
Montgomery	13	81.3%	3	18.8%	0	0.0%	16	196.6	133.0
Randolph	70	76.1%	19	20.7%	3	3.3%	92	259.5	229.5
District Totals	83	76.9%	22	20.4%	3	2.8%	108	250.2	219.5
<u>District 20</u>									
Anson	47	70.1%	16	23.9%	4	6.0%	67	298.7	242.0
Moore	62	62.0%	25	25.0%	13	13.0%	100	360.0	282.0
Richmond	57	62.0%	28	30.4%	7	7.6%	92	337.2	295.0
Stanly	47	59.5%	15	19.0%	17	21.5%	79	546.3	292.0
Union	110	69.6%	38	24.1%	10	6.3%	158	305.1	239.0
District Totals	323	65.1%	122	24.6%	51	10.3%	496	359.7	258.0
<u>District 21</u>									
Forsyth	462	88.7%	57	10.9%	2	0.4%	521	192.0	161.0
<u>District 22</u>									
Alexander	27	81.8%	6	18.2%	0	0.0%	33	209.9	201.0
Davidson	107	84.3%	15	11.8%	5	3.9%	127	216.6	175.0
Davie	20	74.1%	6	22.2%	1	3.7%	27	255.2	250.0
Iredell	132	82.5%	22	13.8%	6	3.8%	160	231.1	182.0
District Totals	286	82.4%	49	14.1%	12	3.5%	347	225.6	182.0
<u>District 23</u>									
Alleghany	10	76.9%	3	23.1%	0	0.0%	13	219.9	98.0
Ashe	12	92.3%	1	7.7%	0	0.0%	13	174.8	151.0
Wilkes	98	78.4%	24	19.2%	3	2.4%	125	239.3	211.0
Yadkin	31	77.5%	7	17.5%	2	5.0%	40	234.0	179.5
District Totals	151	79.1%	35	18.3%	5	2.6%	191	232.5	189.0
<u>District 24</u>									
Avery	33	63.5%	18	34.6%	1	1.9%	52	275.2	210.0
Madison	28	37.8%	30	40.5%	16	21.6%	74	475.7	490.5
Mitchell	11	50.0%	10	45.5%	1	4.5%	22	359.5	371.0
Watauga	82	87.2%	11	11.7%	1	1.1%	94	218.2	202.0
Yancey	19	73.1%	7	26.9%	0	0.0%	26	256.4	231.5
District Totals	173	64.6%	76	28.4%	19	7.1%	268	315.7	251.0
<u>District 25</u>									
Burke	111	77.6%	28	19.6%	4	2.8%	143	236.8	161.0
Caldwell	124	71.3%	40	23.0%	10	5.7%	174	298.3	253.0
Catawba	185	83.3%	35	15.8%	2	0.9%	222	217.2	194.5
District Totals	420	77.9%	103	19.1%	16	3.0%	539	248.6	201.0
<u>District 26</u>									
Mecklenburg	1,574	67.2%	620	26.5%	149	6.4%	2,343	307.6	230.0

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1987

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
<u>District 27A</u>									
Gaston	336	87.0%	41	10.6%	9	2.3%	386	199.4	160.0
<u>District 27B</u>									
Cleveland	93	81.6%	20	17.5%	1	0.9%	114	228.1	189.0
Lincoln	43	78.2%	11	20.0%	1	1.8%	55	250.7	217.0
District Totals	136	80.5%	31	18.3%	2	1.2%	169	235.5	196.0
<u>District 28</u>									
Buncombe	280	83.3%	43	12.8%	13	3.9%	336	222.1	165.0
<u>District 29</u>									
Henderson	98	67.1%	33	22.6%	15	10.3%	146	327.1	244.5
McDowell	36	56.3%	22	34.4%	6	9.4%	64	348.9	308.5
Polk	8	66.7%	2	16.7%	2	16.7%	12	389.8	220.0
Rutherford	45	52.9%	25	29.4%	15	17.6%	85	385.9	328.0
Transylvania	40	56.3%	22	31.0%	9	12.7%	71	376.4	347.0
District Totals	227	60.1%	104	27.5%	47	12.4%	378	355.3	292.0
<u>District 30</u>									
Cherokee	18	58.1%	7	22.6%	6	19.4%	31	438.6	328.0
Clay	6	54.5%	4	36.4%	1	9.1%	11	399.8	362.0
Graham	13	54.2%	8	33.3%	3	12.5%	24	401.3	317.0
Haywood	57	50.4%	46	40.7%	10	8.8%	113	410.0	362.0
Jackson	31	63.3%	11	22.4%	7	14.3%	49	404.2	232.0
Macon	43	52.4%	17	20.7%	22	26.8%	82	492.0	332.0
Swain	16	64.0%	5	20.0%	4	16.0%	25	409.0	301.0
District Totals	184	54.9%	98	29.3%	53	15.8%	335	430.8	316.0
State Totals	10,577	70.0%	3,477	23.0%	1,049	6.9%	15,103	298.7	224.0

AGES OF CIVIL CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
<u>District 1</u>									
Camden	4	57.1%	2	28.6%	1	14.3%	7	338.4	239.0
Chowan	19	63.3%	6	20.0%	5	16.7%	30	399.4	242.0
Currituck	13	48.1%	11	40.7%	3	11.1%	27	415.8	385.0
Dare	56	55.4%	28	27.7%	17	16.8%	101	412.2	330.0
Gates	6	54.5%	1	9.1%	4	36.4%	11	420.3	91.0
Pasquotank	35	62.5%	17	30.4%	4	7.1%	56	330.8	243.5
Perquimans	11	57.9%	5	26.3%	3	15.8%	19	381.8	244.0
District Totals	144	57.4%	70	27.9%	37	14.7%	251	388.9	300.0
<u>District 2</u>									
Beaufort	48	62.3%	22	28.6%	7	9.1%	77	369.1	268.0
Hyde	5	83.3%	1	16.7%	0	0.0%	6	187.0	138.5
Martin	17	56.7%	8	26.7%	5	16.7%	30	427.8	259.5
Tyrrell	6	60.0%	2	20.0%	2	20.0%	10	381.4	196.0
Washington	14	48.3%	9	31.0%	6	20.7%	29	460.9	371.0
District Totals	90	59.2%	42	27.6%	20	13.2%	152	391.8	269.0
<u>District 3</u>									
Carteret	97	63.0%	44	28.6%	13	8.4%	154	325.0	267.0
Craven	127	64.5%	56	28.4%	14	7.1%	197	310.0	235.0
Pamlico	10	83.3%	2	16.7%	0	0.0%	12	214.7	175.0
Pitt	218	68.3%	80	25.1%	21	6.6%	319	285.3	238.0
District Totals	452	66.3%	182	26.7%	48	7.0%	682	300.2	249.0
<u>District 4</u>									
Duplin	36	50.7%	23	32.4%	12	16.9%	71	449.0	354.0
Jones	11	52.4%	4	19.0%	6	28.6%	21	498.5	353.0
Onslow	107	52.7%	68	33.5%	28	13.8%	203	395.8	350.0
Sampson	54	65.9%	23	28.0%	5	6.1%	82	297.6	215.0
District Totals	208	55.2%	118	31.3%	51	13.5%	377	390.2	327.0
<u>District 5</u>									
New Hanover	216	59.5%	99	27.3%	48	13.2%	363	357.1	292.0
Pender	13	41.9%	12	38.7%	6	19.4%	31	521.5	386.0
District Totals	229	58.1%	111	28.2%	54	13.7%	394	370.1	303.5
<u>District 6</u>									
Bertie	25	75.8%	6	18.2%	2	6.1%	33	248.9	226.0
Halifax	41	51.3%	27	33.8%	12	15.0%	80	475.9	353.0
Hertford	29	52.7%	16	29.1%	10	18.2%	55	429.9	353.0
Northampton	15	60.0%	6	24.0%	4	16.0%	25	389.2	253.0
District Totals	110	57.0%	55	28.5%	28	14.5%	193	412.7	275.0
<u>District 7</u>									
Edgecombe	79	73.8%	23	21.5%	5	4.7%	107	268.4	215.0
Nash	117	68.8%	36	21.2%	17	10.0%	170	320.7	252.0
Wilson	74	62.2%	34	28.6%	11	9.2%	119	350.2	242.0
District Totals	270	68.2%	93	23.5%	33	8.3%	396	315.4	236.0
<u>District 8</u>									
Greene	18	72.0%	6	24.0%	1	4.0%	25	248.5	175.0
Lenoir	118	62.1%	52	27.4%	20	10.5%	190	323.6	256.5
Wayne	125	60.4%	50	24.2%	32	15.5%	207	377.2	286.0
District Totals	261	61.8%	108	25.6%	53	12.6%	422	345.4	261.5

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Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
<u>District 9</u>									
Franklin	25	65.8%	5	13.2%	8	21.1%	38	368.9	215.5
Granville	30	53.6%	18	32.1%	8	14.3%	56	388.5	301.5
Person	23	59.0%	11	28.2%	5	12.8%	39	344.9	280.0
Vance	28	53.8%	17	32.7%	7	13.5%	52	399.2	335.5
Warren	18	54.5%	11	33.3%	4	12.1%	33	386.6	333.0
District Totals	124	56.9%	62	28.4%	32	14.7%	218	379.6	301.5
<u>District 10</u>									
Wake	797	63.2%	355	28.2%	109	8.6%	1261	324.0	260.0
<u>District 11</u>									
Harnett	69	59.0%	43	36.8%	5	4.3%	117	311.6	293.0
Johnston	130	68.4%	49	25.8%	11	5.8%	190	284.3	191.5
Lee	66	66.0%	33	33.0%	1	1.0%	100	305.7	303.0
District Totals	265	65.1%	125	30.7%	17	4.2%	407	297.4	243.0
<u>District 12</u>									
Cumberland	186	43.1%	150	34.7%	96	22.2%	432	484.8	419.0
Hoke	10	66.7%	2	13.3%	3	20.0%	15	405.7	272.0
District Totals	196	43.8%	152	34.0%	99	22.1%	447	482.1	413.0
<u>District 13</u>									
Bladen	30	58.8%	20	39.2%	1	2.0%	51	295.0	290.0
Brunswick	38	55.9%	25	36.8%	5	7.4%	68	349.6	293.0
Columbus	50	43.5%	33	28.7%	32	27.8%	115	481.8	477.0
District Totals	118	50.4%	78	33.3%	38	16.2%	234	402.7	362.0
<u>District 14</u>									
Durham	343	65.6%	141	27.0%	39	7.5%	523	317.9	253.0
<u>District 15A</u>									
Alamance	82	52.6%	31	19.9%	43	27.6%	156	535.1	337.5
<u>District 15B</u>									
Chatham	30	73.2%	11	26.8%	0	0.0%	41	296.3	289.0
Orange	111	68.1%	46	28.2%	6	3.7%	163	306.2	302.0
District Totals	141	69.1%	57	27.9%	6	2.9%	204	304.3	298.0
<u>District 16</u>									
Robeson	109	50.0%	82	37.6%	27	12.4%	218	418.5	364.5
Scotland	33	48.5%	24	35.3%	11	16.2%	68	390.6	375.0
District Totals	142	49.7%	106	37.1%	38	13.3%	286	411.9	368.5
<u>District 17A</u>									
Caswell	6	42.9%	6	42.9%	2	14.3%	14	404.9	398.0
Rockingham	95	71.4%	38	28.6%	0	0.0%	133	250.0	253.0
District Totals	101	68.7%	44	29.9%	2	1.4%	147	264.8	256.0
<u>District 17B</u>									
Stokes	20	74.1%	7	25.9%	0	0.0%	27	258.6	288.0
Surry	83	84.7%	14	14.3%	1	1.0%	98	234.6	235.5
District Totals	103	82.4%	21	16.8%	1	0.8%	125	239.8	240.0

AGES OF CIVIL CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
<u>District 18</u>									
Guilford	628	54.8%	430	37.5%	88	7.7%	1,146	356.0	340.0
<u>District 19A</u>									
Cabarrus	94	64.4%	47	32.2%	5	3.4%	146	300.6	256.0
Rowan	89	59.7%	55	36.9%	5	3.4%	149	309.2	301.0
District Totals	183	62.0%	102	34.6%	10	3.4%	295	304.9	284.0
<u>District 19B</u>									
Montgomery	12	44.4%	11	40.7%	4	14.8%	27	434.0	369.0
Randolph	64	52.9%	40	33.1%	17	14.0%	121	410.1	329.0
District Totals	76	51.4%	51	34.5%	21	14.2%	148	414.5	343.5
<u>District 20</u>									
Anson	22	44.0%	23	46.0%	5	10.0%	50	390.6	382.0
Moore	46	31.9%	35	24.3%	63	43.8%	144	592.1	581.0
Richmond	45	52.3%	24	27.9%	17	19.8%	86	476.4	347.5
Stanly	25	50.0%	21	42.0%	4	8.0%	50	364.4	367.0
Union	67	47.5%	54	38.3%	20	14.2%	141	419.7	397.0
District Totals	205	43.5%	157	33.3%	109	23.1%	471	473.8	413.0
<u>District 21</u>									
Forsyth	479	72.1%	167	25.2%	18	2.7%	664	268.0	242.5
<u>District 22</u>									
Alexander	16	51.6%	15	48.4%	0	0.0%	31	354.4	333.0
Davidson	102	61.8%	57	34.5%	6	3.6%	165	314.7	300.0
Davie	31	77.5%	8	20.0%	1	2.5%	40	258.2	254.0
Iredell	136	66.0%	62	30.1%	8	3.9%	206	270.8	276.0
District Totals	285	64.5%	142	32.1%	15	3.4%	442	291.9	285.0
<u>District 23</u>									
Alleghany	9	90.0%	1	10.0%	0	0.0%	10	146.8	166.0
Ashe	11	50.0%	11	50.0%	0	0.0%	22	363.2	348.0
Wilkes	88	54.7%	67	41.6%	6	3.7%	161	337.2	350.0
Yadkin	24	70.6%	7	20.6%	3	8.8%	34	296.0	242.0
District Totals	132	58.1%	86	37.9%	9	4.0%	227	325.2	326.0
<u>District 24</u>									
Avery	19	52.8%	15	41.7%	2	5.6%	36	325.5	294.0
Madison	11	19.3%	14	24.6%	32	56.1%	57	698.4	766.0
Mitchell	16	57.1%	10	35.7%	2	7.1%	28	305.7	332.5
Watauga	42	61.8%	24	35.3%	2	2.9%	68	317.7	286.5
Yancey	5	41.7%	6	50.0%	1	8.3%	12	385.4	408.0
District Totals	93	46.3%	69	34.3%	39	19.4%	201	429.4	394.0
<u>District 25</u>									
Burke	109	61.2%	57	32.0%	12	6.7%	178	325.7	312.5
Caldwell	107	61.5%	52	29.9%	15	8.6%	174	356.0	328.0
Catawba	202	62.9%	95	29.6%	24	7.5%	321	339.4	304.0
District Totals	418	62.1%	204	30.3%	51	7.6%	673	340.1	312.0
<u>District 26</u>									
Mecklenburg	1,113	51.8%	843	39.2%	194	9.0%	2,150	377.9	343.5

AGES OF CIVIL CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

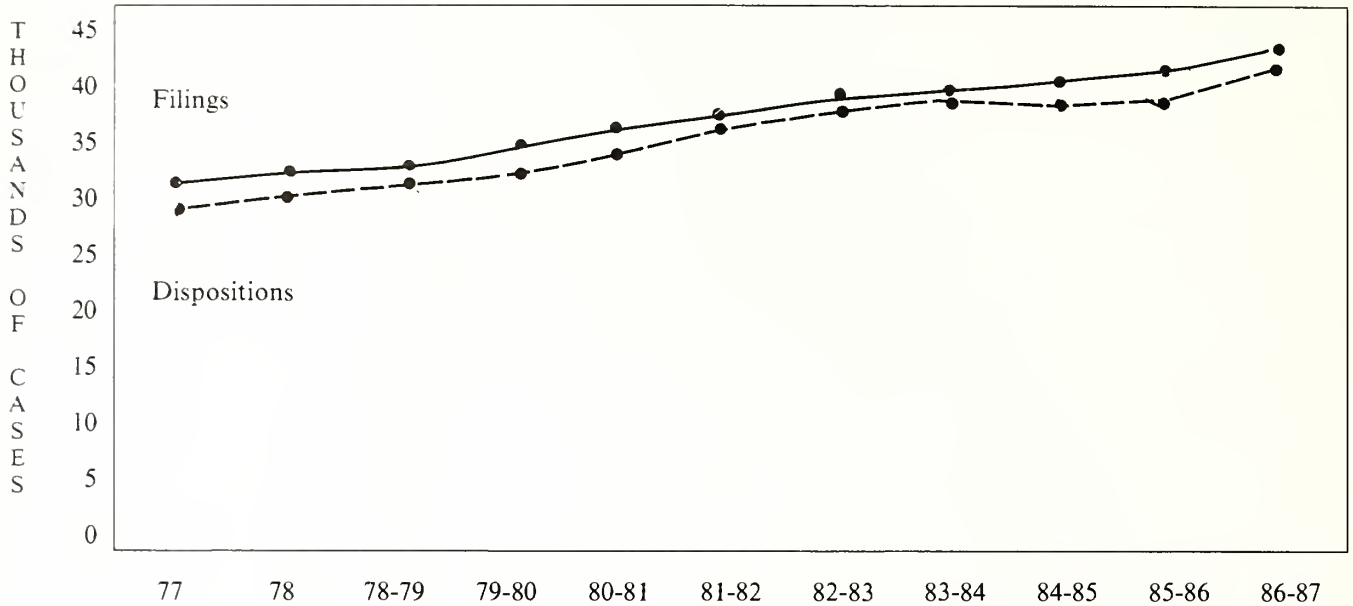
Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
<u>District 27A</u>									
Gaston	396	79.2%	92	18.4%	12	2.4%	500	251.4	255.5
<u>District 27B</u>									
Cleveland	102	64.6%	48	30.4%	8	5.1%	158	317.0	324.0
Lincoln	34	59.6%	20	35.1%	3	5.3%	57	302.8	273.0
District Totals	136	63.3%	68	31.6%	11	5.1%	215	313.2	318.0
<u>District 28</u>									
Buncombe	383	71.2%	133	24.7%	22	4.1%	538	307.2	253.5
<u>District 29</u>									
Henderson	51	38.1%	53	39.6%	30	22.4%	134	500.5	468.0
McDowell	11	26.2%	25	59.5%	6	14.3%	42	503.9	576.5
Polk	12	46.2%	11	42.3%	3	11.5%	26	426.5	368.0
Rutherford	26	35.6%	21	28.8%	26	35.6%	73	518.7	595.0
Transylvania	17	34.7%	20	40.8%	12	24.5%	49	513.6	561.0
District Totals	117	36.1%	130	40.1%	77	23.8%	324	501.1	520.5
<u>District 30</u>									
Cherokee	17	53.1%	9	28.1%	6	18.8%	32	428.9	359.0
Clay	5	62.5%	2	25.0%	1	12.5%	8	366.0	291.5
Graham	9	42.9%	5	23.8%	7	33.3%	21	550.1	476.0
Haywood	38	35.2%	43	39.8%	27	25.0%	108	523.6	511.0
Jackson	17	33.3%	21	41.2%	13	25.5%	51	560.5	481.0
Macon	20	40.8%	19	38.8%	10	20.4%	49	537.4	474.0
Swain	19	55.9%	3	8.8%	12	35.3%	34	497.4	240.0
District Totals	125	41.3%	102	33.7%	76	25.1%	303	516.8	474.0
State Totals	8,945	59.0%	4,727	31.2%	1,500	9.9%	15,172	355.5	299.0

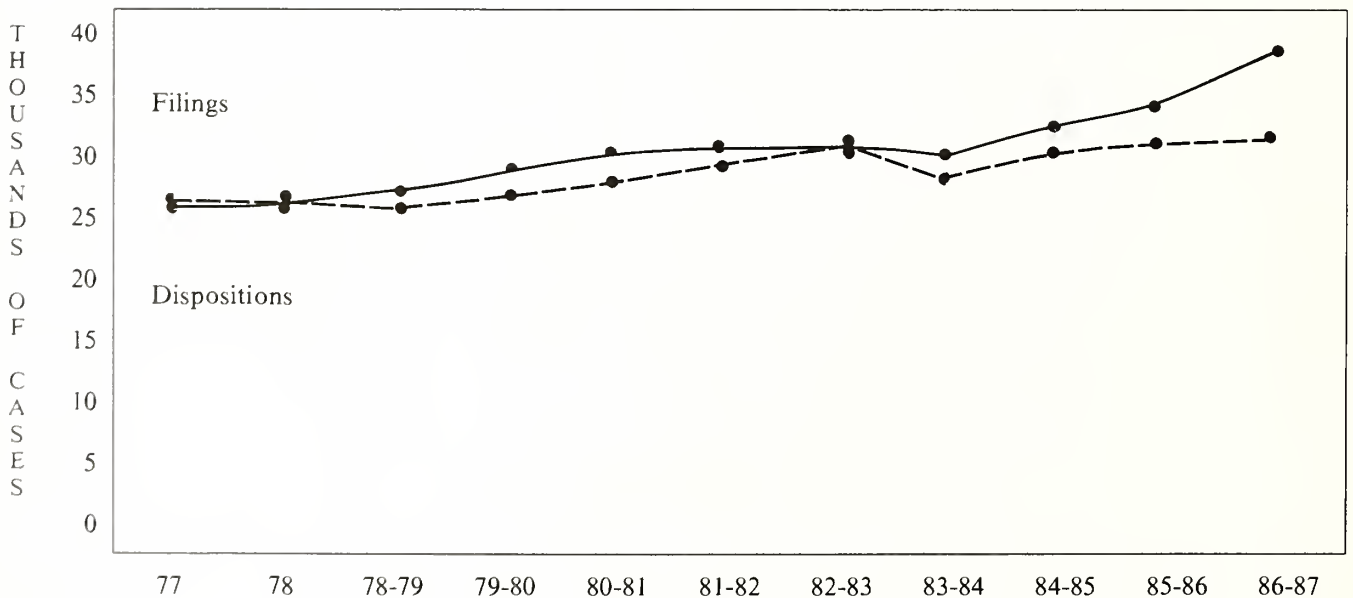
CASELOAD TRENDS IN ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS

1977 — 1986-87

ESTATE CASES



SPECIAL PROCEEDING CASES



Following the general trend of the last decade, filings of estate and special proceedings increased. During 1986-87, estate filings increased by 4.1% and estate dispositions by

5.8%; special proceeding filings increased by 11.4% while dispositions of these cases increased by 1.8%.

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
<u>District 1</u>				
Camden	45	50	17	12
Chowan	218	168	66	47
Currituck	119	95	59	47
Dare	200	182	142	109
Gates	66	42	22	9
Pasquotank	280	311	176	105
Perquimans	103	96	47	30
District Totals	1,031	944	529	359
<u>District 2</u>				
Beaufort	451	264	271	90
Hyde	93	79	43	33
Martin	192	183	109	136
Tyrrell	32	19	17	12
Washington	102	108	70	39
District Totals	870	653	510	310
<u>District 3</u>				
Carteret	440	392	257	157
Craven	424	445	457	409
Pamlico	82	127	15	31
Pitt	604	540	656	396
District Totals	1,550	1,504	1,385	993
<u>District 4</u>				
Duplin	361	365	260	211
Jones	79	57	47	25
Onslow	434	375	1034	654
Sampson	444	434	371	336
District Totals	1,318	1,231	1,712	1,226
<u>District 5</u>				
New Hanover	756	693	1115	1053
Pender	179	197	145	125
District Totals	935	890	1,260	1,178
<u>District 6</u>				
Bertie	189	134	95	57
Halifax	435	412	266	186
Hertford	211	189	124	123
Northampton	192	193	108	130
District Totals	1,027	928	593	496
<u>District 7</u>				
Edgecombe	470	388	299	107
Nash	462	481	380	277
Wilson	487	503	369	573
District Totals	1,419	1,372	1,048	957
<u>District 8</u>				
Greene	112	146	32	24
Lenoir	475	463	391	370
Wayne	690	677	798	819
District Totals	1,277	1,286	1,221	1,213

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
<u>District 9</u>				
Franklin	244	131	238	183
Granville	260	269	310	319
Person	240	225	129	106
Vance	299	277	185	179
Warren	223	203	89	80
District Totals	1,266	1,105	951	867
<u>District 10</u>				
Wake	1,741	2,171	2,443	2,450
<u>District 11</u>				
Harnett	409	408	337	304
Johnston	681	647	664	621
Lee	301	313	220	273
District Totals	1,391	1,368	1,221	1,198
<u>District 12</u>				
Cumberland	1,026	1,123	1,912	1,856
Hoke	75	92	74	60
District Totals	1,101	1,215	1,986	1,916
<u>District 13</u>				
Bladen	206	245	244	238
Brunswick	413	388	260	255
Columbus	384	393	322	213
District Totals	1,003	1,026	826	706
<u>District 14</u>				
Durham	1,162	1,114	1,329	1,269
<u>District 15A</u>				
Alamance	763	686	664	570
<u>District 15B</u>				
Chatham	298	314	174	224
Orange	458	448	578	446
District Totals	756	762	752	670
<u>District 16</u>				
Robeson	613	510	736	629
Scotland	258	245	328	206
District Totals	871	755	1,064	835
<u>District 17A</u>				
Caswell	145	136	144	112
Rockingham	641	638	330	273
District Totals	786	774	474	385
<u>District 17B</u>				
Stokes	232	250	118	96
Surry	465	449	338	323
District Totals	697	699	456	419

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
<u>District 18</u>				
Guilford	2,218	2,233	2,415	2,244
 <u>District 19A</u>				
Cabarrus	690	639	331	243
Rowan	933	910	970	834
District Totals	1,623	1,549	1,301	1,077
 <u>District 19B</u>				
Montgomery	178	164	146	89
Randolph	621	634	393	391
District Totals	799	798	539	480
 <u>District 20</u>				
Anson	142	110	113	96
Moore	505	424	316	265
Richmond	295	229	247	180
Stanly	430	412	146	94
Union	465	376	283	230
District Totals	1,837	1,551	1,105	865
 <u>District 21</u>				
Forsyth	1,778	1,670	1,464	1,413
 <u>District 22</u>				
Alexander	152	164	87	60
Davidson	821	766	478	191
Davie	195	174	136	62
Iredell	742	773	372	346
District Totals	1,910	1,877	1,073	659
 <u>District 23</u>				
Alleghany	107	97	61	52
Ashe	215	229	115	52
Wilkes	314	301	414	238
Yadkin	230	254	72	60
District Totals	866	881	662	402
 <u>District 24</u>				
Avery	103	107	122	153
Madison	91	114	63	68
Mitchell	107	70	44	19
Watauga	194	172	199	159
Yancey	94	92	54	39
District Totals	589	555	482	438
 <u>District 25</u>				
Burke	439	486	454	342
Caldwell	490	493	384	408
Catawba	694	655	455	379
District Totals	1,623	1,634	1,293	1,129
 <u>District 26</u>				
Mecklenburg	2,734	2,756	3,818	1,940

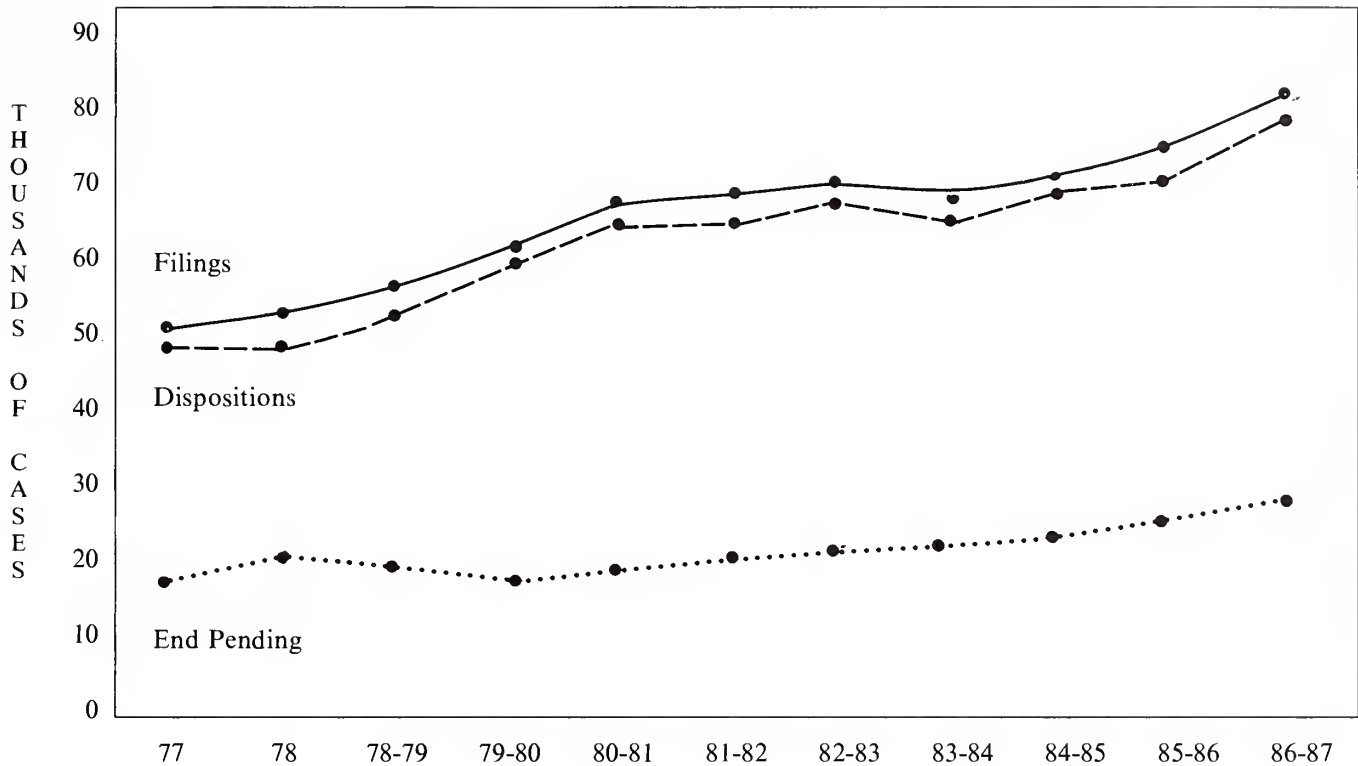
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
<u>District 27A</u>				
Gaston	1,131	1,210	643	596
 <u>District 27B</u>				
Cleveland	562	530	559	494
Lincoln	327	283	232	183
District Totals	889	813	791	677
 <u>District 28</u>				
Buncombe	1,442	1,422	1,422	1,029
 <u>District 29</u>				
Henderson	659	653	343	321
McDowell	263	260	213	64
Polk	203	164	78	39
Rutherford	499	453	213	188
Transylvania	183	156	139	96
District Totals	1,807	1,686	986	708
 <u>District 30</u>				
Cherokee	172	137	162	128
Clay	39	39	32	25
Graham	39	33	28	20
Haywood	417	421	239	194
Jackson	149	89	109	50
Macon	196	170	257	198
Swain	63	63	41	20
District Totals	1,075	952	868	635
 State Totals	43,285	42,070	39,286	32,309

CASELOAD TRENDS OF CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

1977 — 1986-87



The number of criminal cases filed in the superior court continued to grow in 1986-87 largely due to a 13.8%

increase in felony filings compared to 1985-86. Misdemeanor filings increased by 3.4%.

FILINGS OF CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS — BY TYPE OF CASE

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

A total of 83,478 criminal cases were reported filed in the Superior Courts, of which 51,210 were felonies, and 32,268 misdemeanors. These are broken down into the following specific types of cases:

FELONIES	Number Filed	% of Total Filings
Murder	545	1.1%
Manslaughter	113	0.2%
First Degree Rape	1,252	2.4%
Other Sex Offenses	291	0.6%
Robbery	1,780	3.5%
Assault	2,065	4.0%
Burglary	8,995	17.6%
Larceny	6,076	11.9%
Arson & Burnings	358	0.7%
Forgery & Utterings	7,032	13.7%
Fraudulent Activity	5,733	11.2%
Controlled Substances	10,191	19.9%
Other*	6,779	13.2%
TOTAL	51,210	100.0%
 MISDEMEANORS		
DWI Appeal	6,193	19.2%
Other Motor Vehicle Appeal	6,036	18.7%
Non-Motor Vehicle Appeal	16,941	52.5%
Misdemeanor Originating in Superior Court	3,098	9.6%
TOTAL	32,268	100.0%

*"Other" felony cases include a wide variety of offenses that do not fit squarely into any of the listed offenses above, including kidnapping, trespassing, crimes against public morality, perjury, and obstructing justice. When

more than one offense is charged, the first offense listed in the criminal pleading (originating document) is used to assign the case type given above.

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Felonies						Misdemeanors					
	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 1</u>												
Camden	6	18	24	17	70.8%	7	21	43	64	46	71.9%	18
Chowan	10	95	105	74	70.5%	31	22	197	219	190	86.8%	29
Currituck	12	42	54	39	72.2%	15	18	130	148	89	60.1%	59
Dare	81	281	362	286	79.0%	76	81	362	443	333	75.2%	110
Gates	11	39	50	33	66.0%	17	42	70	112	90	80.4%	22
Pasquotank	71	203	274	200	73.0%	74	127	629	756	633	83.7%	123
Perquimans	8	33	41	31	75.6%	10	40	131	171	131	76.6%	40
District Totals	199	711	910	680	74.7%	230	351	1,562	1,913	1,512	79.0%	401
<u>District 2</u>												
Beaufort	160	490	650	544	83.7%	106	75	305	380	275	72.4%	105
Hyde	29	43	72	56	77.8%	16	15	23	38	36	94.7%	2
Martin	13	153	166	130	78.3%	36	21	94	115	80	69.6%	35
Tyrrell	17	27	44	29	65.9%	15	9	25	34	27	79.4%	7
Washington	11	72	83	63	75.9%	20	20	66	86	65	75.6%	21
District Totals	230	785	1,015	822	81.0%	193	140	513	653	483	74.0%	170
<u>District 3</u>												
Carteret	71	186	257	208	80.9%	49	87	99	186	174	93.5%	12
Craven	127	477	604	458	75.8%	146	48	415	463	398	86.0%	65
Pamlico	19	67	86	65	75.6%	21	6	21	27	24	88.9%	3
Pitt	147	1,395	1,542	1,169	75.8%	373	137	1,310	1,447	1,133	78.3%	314
District Totals	364	2,125	2,489	1,900	76.3%	589	278	1,845	2,123	1,729	81.4%	394
<u>District 4</u>												
Duplin	50	472	522	505	96.7%	17	12	56	68	56	82.4%	12
Jones	2	115	117	59	50.4%	58	1	12	13	9	69.2%	4
Onslow	183	1,405	1,588	1,328	83.6%	260	42	327	369	337	91.3%	32
Sampson	30	366	396	386	97.5%	10	1	66	67	67	100.0%	0
District Totals	265	2,358	2,623	2,278	86.8%	345	56	461	517	469	90.7%	48
<u>District 5</u>												
New Hanover	349	2,054	2,403	1,983	82.5%	420	166	811	977	851	87.1%	126
Pender	27	857	884	673	76.1%	211	14	72	86	56	65.1%	30
District Totals	376	2,911	3,287	2,656	80.8%	631	180	883	1,063	907	85.3%	156
<u>District 6</u>												
Bertie	14	147	161	101	62.7%	60	28	70	98	85	86.7%	13
Halifax	122	279	401	335	83.5%	66	116	296	412	366	88.8%	46
Hertford	20	204	224	192	85.7%	32	31	120	151	121	80.1%	30
Northampton	57	85	142	119	83.8%	23	19	72	91	82	90.1%	9
District Totals	213	715	928	747	80.5%	181	194	558	752	654	87.0%	98
<u>District 7</u>												
Edgecombe	53	346	399	288	72.2%	111	29	223	252	178	70.6%	74
Nash	112	715	827	708	85.6%	119	32	229	261	223	85.4%	38
Wilson	50	460	510	346	67.8%	164	75	179	254	207	81.5%	47
District Totals	215	1,521	1,736	1,342	77.3%	394	136	631	767	608	79.3%	159
<u>District 8</u>												
Greene	30	71	101	84	83.2%	17	31	72	103	91	88.3%	12
Lenoir	59	341	400	322	80.5%	78	106	453	559	463	82.8%	96
Wayne	189	524	713	552	77.4%	161	139	799	938	759	80.9%	179
District Totals	278	936	1,214	958	78.9%	256	276	1,324	1,600	1,313	82.1%	287

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

Felonies

Misdemeanors

	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87		Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 9</u>													
Franklin	40	198	238	153	64.3%	85		45	134	179	116	64.8%	63
Granville	92	241	333	284	85.3%	49		106	169	275	234	85.1%	41
Person	34	215	249	166	66.7%	83		86	172	258	181	70.2%	77
Vance	130	354	484	352	72.7%	132		122	303	425	322	75.8%	103
Warren	38	82	120	85	70.8%	35		31	120	151	114	75.5%	37
District Totals	334	1,090	1,424	1,040	73.0%	384		390	898	1,288	967	75.1%	321
<u>District 10</u>													
Wake	2,080	3,658	5,738	3,836	66.9%	1,902		438	1,722	2,160	1,625	75.2%	535
<u>District 11</u>													
Harnett	63	283	346	295	85.3%	51		10	95	105	92	87.6%	13
Johnston	69	268	337	276	81.9%	61		16	248	264	237	89.8%	27
Lee	97	385	482	459	95.2%	23		48	199	247	240	97.2%	7
District Totals	229	936	1,165	1,030	88.4%	135		74	542	616	569	92.4%	47
<u>District 12</u>													
Cumberland	510	1,469	1,979	1,356	68.5%	623		81	357	438	376	85.8%	62
Woke	27	133	160	124	77.5%	36		15	37	52	38	73.1%	14
District Totals	537	1,602	2,139	1,480	69.2%	659		96	394	490	414	84.5%	76
<u>District 13</u>													
Bladen	157	66	223	181	81.2%	42		51	106	157	126	80.3%	31
Brunswick	177	526	703	361	51.4%	342		68	117	185	146	78.9%	39
Columbus	101	223	324	212	65.4%	112		66	312	378	271	71.7%	107
District Totals	435	815	1,250	754	60.3%	496		185	535	720	543	75.4%	177
<u>District 14</u>													
Durham	470	1,836	2,306	1,541	66.8%	765		209	363	572	312	54.5%	260
<u>District 15A</u>													
Alamance	453	999	1,452	1,141	78.6%	311		228	634	862	707	82.0%	155
<u>District 15B</u>													
Chatham	32	157	189	124	65.6%	65		22	93	115	69	60.0%	46
Orange	103	546	649	462	71.2%	187		21	78	99	69	69.7%	30
District Totals	135	703	838	586	69.9%	252		43	171	214	138	64.5%	76
<u>District 16</u>													
Robeson	320	1,220	1,540	1,192	77.4%	348		232	764	996	799	80.2%	197
Scotland	119	430	549	390	71.0%	159		220	248	468	318	67.9%	150
District Totals	439	1,650	2,089	1,582	75.7%	507		452	1,012	1,464	1,117	76.3%	347
<u>District 17A</u>													
Caswell	4	88	92	84	91.3%	8		13	192	205	160	78.0%	45
Rockingham	117	1,052	1,169	813	69.5%	356		97	827	924	691	74.8%	233
District Totals	121	1,140	1,261	897	71.1%	364		110	1,019	1,129	851	75.4%	278
<u>District 17B</u>													
Stokes	49	274	323	270	83.6%	53		31	199	230	199	86.5%	31
Surry	47	544	591	548	92.7%	43		76	591	667	580	87.0%	87
District Totals	96	818	914	818	89.5%	96		107	790	897	779	86.8%	118

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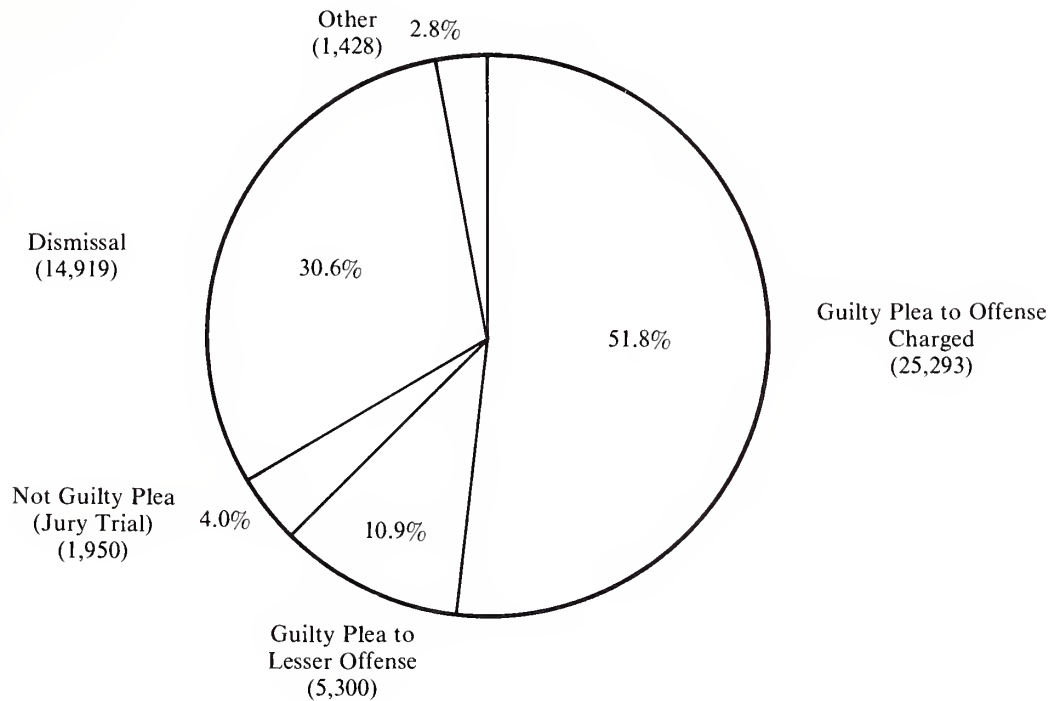
	Felonies						Misdemeanors					
	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 18</u>												
Guilford	1,769	3,929	5,698	3,826	67.1%	1,872	304	939	1,243	953	76.7%	290
<u>District 19A</u>												
Cabarrus	299	1,054	1,353	957	70.7%	396	283	575	858	593	69.1%	265
Rowan	126	914	1,040	749	72.0%	291	135	594	729	540	74.1%	189
District Totals	425	1,968	2,393	1,706	71.3%	687	418	1,169	1,587	1,133	71.4%	454
<u>District 19B</u>												
Montgomery	382	192	574	503	87.6%	71	210	437	647	522	80.7%	125
Randolph	220	864	1,084	555	51.2%	529	286	1,037	1,323	999	75.5%	324
District Totals	602	1,056	1,658	1,058	63.8%	600	496	1,474	1,970	1,521	77.2%	449
<u>District 20</u>												
Anson	88	166	254	227	89.4%	27	107	352	459	387	84.3%	72
Moore	94	685	779	596	76.5%	183	99	499	598	497	83.1%	101
Richmond	132	410	542	436	80.4%	106	173	410	583	489	83.9%	94
Stanly	98	207	305	251	82.3%	54	85	336	421	369	87.6%	52
Union	126	499	625	461	73.8%	164	122	466	588	406	69.0%	182
District Totals	538	1,967	2,505	1,971	78.7%	534	586	2,063	2,649	2,148	81.1%	501
<u>District 21</u>												
Forsyth	317	2,265	2,582	1,765	68.4%	817	304	1,967	2,271	1,944	85.6%	327
<u>District 22</u>												
Alexander	14	98	112	82	73.2%	30	32	183	215	189	87.9%	26
Davidson	118	633	751	523	69.6%	228	139	627	766	672	87.7%	94
Davie	9	57	66	50	75.8%	16	47	124	171	142	83.0%	29
Iredell	94	411	505	355	70.3%	150	169	703	872	750	86.0%	122
District Totals	235	1,199	1,434	1,010	70.4%	424	387	1,637	2,024	1,753	86.6%	271
<u>District 23</u>												
Alleghany	13	20	33	18	54.5%	15	21	33	54	28	51.9%	26
Ashe	50	82	132	59	44.7%	73	19	65	84	39	46.4%	45
Wilkes	122	212	334	197	59.0%	137	115	309	424	282	66.5%	142
Yadkin	21	107	128	112	87.5%	16	29	87	116	112	96.6%	4
District Totals	206	421	627	386	61.6%	241	184	494	678	461	68.0%	217
<u>District 24</u>												
Avery	6	41	47	16	34.0%	31	1	29	30	10	33.3%	20
Madison	77	51	128	104	81.3%	24	17	18	35	25	71.4%	10
Mitchell	56	104	160	98	61.3%	62	7	41	48	28	58.3%	20
Watauga	78	294	372	173	46.5%	199	17	98	115	70	60.9%	45
Yancey	40	19	59	28	47.5%	31	13	22	35	9	25.7%	26
District Totals	257	509	766	419	54.7%	347	55	208	263	142	54.0%	121
<u>District 25</u>												
Burke	310	551	861	534	62.0%	327	271	784	1,055	732	69.4%	323
Caldwell	189	453	642	445	69.3%	197	188	531	719	503	70.0%	216
Catawba	364	1,259	1,623	729	44.9%	894	362	749	1,111	716	64.4%	395
District Totals	863	2,263	3,126	1,708	54.6%	1,418	821	2,064	2,885	1,951	67.6%	934
<u>District 26</u>												
Mecklenburg	1,506	3,114	4,620	3,567	77.2%	1,053	634	1,615	2,249	1,709	76.0%	540

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	Felonies						Misdemeanors					
	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 27A</u>												
Gaston	276	1,421	1,697	1,375	81.0%	322	282	810	1,092	866	79.3%	226
<u>District 27B</u>												
Cleveland	214	582	796	649	81.5%	147	121	338	459	382	83.2%	77
Lincoln	125	395	520	435	83.7%	85	53	161	214	174	81.3%	40
District Totals	339	977	1,316	1,084	82.4%	232	174	499	673	556	82.6%	117
<u>District 28</u>												
Buncombe	454	881	1,335	1,049	78.6%	286	38	326	364	240	65.9%	124
<u>District 29</u>												
Henderson	115	249	364	272	74.7%	92	66	202	268	198	73.9%	70
McDowell	39	229	268	168	62.7%	100	32	147	179	125	69.8%	54
Polk	41	46	87	57	65.5%	30	27	31	58	40	69.0%	18
Rutherford	160	415	575	402	69.9%	173	103	297	400	279	69.8%	121
Transylvania	64	168	232	145	62.5%	87	16	35	51	29	56.9%	22
District Totals	419	1,107	1,526	1,044	68.4%	482	244	712	956	671	70.2%	285
<u>District 30</u>												
Cherokee	83	34	117	23	19.7%	94	65	55	120	52	43.3%	68
Clay	35	29	64	57	89.1%	7	1	30	31	20	64.5%	11
Graham	16	57	73	32	43.8%	41	14	53	67	47	70.1%	20
Haywood	181	325	506	407	80.4%	99	95	176	271	240	88.6%	31
Jackson	37	197	234	158	67.5%	76	16	51	67	49	73.1%	18
Macon	38	108	146	83	56.8%	63	28	46	74	61	82.4%	13
Swain	57	74	131	74	56.5%	57	22	23	45	32	71.1%	13
District Totals	447	824	1,271	834	65.6%	437	241	434	675	501	74.2%	174
State Totals	16,122	51,210	67,332	48,890	72.6%	18,442	9,111	32,268	41,379	32,246	77.9%	9,133

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Guilty pleas continue to account for more than 60% of all superior court felony dispositions, with the overwhelming majority of these being guilty pleas to the offense as charged. Dismissals on this chart include voluntary dismissals with and without leave, and speedy trial dismissals. "Other" dispositions, i.e. those which

do not fall into the specific categories given on this chart, may include change of venue, dismissal by the court, no true bill, dispositions of writs of habeas corpus from fugitive warrants, and dispositions of probation violations from other countries.

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	Guilty Pleas		Jury Trials	DA Dismissal			Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
	As Charged	Lesser Offense		Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution				
District 1										
Camden	11	0	0	4	0	0	0	2	17	12
Chowan	12	43	6	8	0	0	0	5	74	62
Currituck	17	2	1	11	1	0	0	7	39	4
Dare	83	71	4	93	7	0	0	28	286	71
Gates	9	14	0	7	2	0	0	1	33	25
Pasquotank	79	34	20	61	6	0	0	0	200	128
Perquimans	14	5	1	11	0	0	0	0	31	21
District Totals	225	169	32	195	16	0	0	43	680	323
% of Total	33.1%	24.9%	4.7%	28.7%	2.4%	0.0%	0.0%	6.3%	100.0%	47.5%
District 2										
Beaufort	379	40	20	57	42	0	0	6	544	407
Hyde	23	3	6	19	3	0	0	2	56	31
Martin	89	12	10	16	2	0	0	1	130	74
Tyrrell	10	11	3	2	0	0	0	3	29	17
Washington	23	10	21	4	3	0	0	2	63	22
District Totals	524	76	60	98	50	0	0	14	822	551
% of Total	63.7%	9.2%	7.3%	11.9%	6.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	100.0%	67.0%
District 3										
Carteret	120	2	6	60	15	0	2	3	208	134
Craven	173	91	20	124	23	0	0	27	458	329
Pamlico	36	0	0	12	3	0	0	14	65	53
Pitt	796	154	34	147	17	0	0	21	1,169	777
District Totals	1,125	247	60	343	58	0	2	65	1,900	1,293
% of Total	59.2%	13.0%	3.2%	18.1%	3.1%	0.0%	0.1%	3.4%	100.0%	68.1%
District 4										
Duplin	140	113	15	229	5	0	0	3	505	384
Jones	17	13	2	18	0	0	0	9	59	35
Onslow	812	0	74	420	8	0	0	14	1,328	750
Sampson	236	0	18	127	2	0	0	3	386	274
District Totals	1,205	126	109	794	15	0	0	29	2,278	1,443
% of Total	52.9%	5.5%	4.8%	34.9%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%	100.0%	63.3%
District 5										
New Hanover	977	228	124	539	94	0	0	21	1,983	364
Pender	128	31	42	463	1	0	0	8	673	586
District Totals	1,105	259	166	1,002	95	0	0	29	2,656	950
% of Total	41.6%	9.8%	6.3%	37.7%	3.6%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	100.0%	35.8%
District 6										
Bertie	3	72	5	12	1	0	0	8	101	82
Halifax	144	57	11	94	18	6	0	5	335	271
Hertford	109	21	9	41	5	0	0	7	192	170
Northampton	54	14	12	33	3	0	0	3	119	97
District Totals	310	164	37	180	27	6	0	23	747	620
% of Total	41.5%	22.0%	5.0%	24.1%	3.6%	0.8%	0.0%	3.1%	100.0%	83.0%
District 7										
Edgecombe	87	38	11	115	1	0	0	36	288	189
Nash	445	77	11	166	2	0	0	7	708	501
Wilson	191	32	17	75	12	0	0	19	346	221
District Totals	723	147	39	356	15	0	0	62	1,342	911
% of Total	53.9%	11.0%	2.9%	26.5%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	4.6%	100.0%	67.9%

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<u>District 8</u>										
Greene	8	42	2	23	4	0	0	5	84	62
Lenoir	112	60	23	84	32	0	2	9	322	216
Wayne	218	93	35	178	13	0	0	15	552	303
District Totals	338	195	60	285	49	0	2	29	958	581
% of Total	35.3%	20.4%	6.3%	29.7%	5.1%	0.0%	0.2%	3.0%	100.0%	60.6%
<u>District 9</u>										
Franklin	124	0	3	13	2	0	0	11	153	130
Granville	121	48	10	77	21	2	0	5	284	169
Person	89	27	8	41	0	0	0	1	166	117
Vance	250	0	15	74	7	0	0	6	352	246
Warren	54	1	4	22	2	0	0	2	85	51
District Totals	638	76	40	227	32	2	0	25	1,040	713
% of Total	61.3%	7.3%	3.8%	21.8%	3.1%	0.2%	0.0%	2.4%	100.0%	68.6%
<u>District 10</u>										
Wake	1,894	237	64	1,233	345	1	8	54	3,836	2,119
% of Total	49.4%	6.2%	1.7%	32.1%	9.0%	.0%	0.2%	1.4%	100.0%	55.2%
<u>District 11</u>										
Harnett	194	26	21	44	0	1	0	9	295	202
Johnston	191	20	21	31	7	0	0	6	276	213
Lee	229	140	11	66	13	0	0	0	459	372
District Totals	614	186	53	141	20	1	0	15	1,030	787
% of Total	59.6%	18.1%	5.1%	13.7%	1.9%	0.1%	0.0%	1.5%	100.0%	76.4%
<u>District 12</u>										
Cumberland	908	116	66	173	47	0	0	46	1,356	974
Hoke	114	1	0	5	0	0	0	4	124	104
District Totals	1,022	117	66	178	47	0	0	50	1,480	1,078
% of Total	69.1%	7.9%	4.5%	12.0%	3.2%	0.0%	0.0%	3.4%	100.0%	72.8%
<u>District 13</u>										
Bladen	112	8	3	32	0	0	0	26	181	123
Brunswick	96	51	11	164	4	0	0	35	361	281
Columbus	120	28	20	28	0	0	0	16	212	141
District Totals	328	87	34	224	4	0	0	77	754	545
% of Total	43.5%	11.5%	4.5%	29.7%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	10.2%	100.0%	72.3%
<u>District 14</u>										
Durham	1,107	0	42	347	15	0	0	30	1,541	1,109
% of Total	71.8%	0.0%	2.7%	22.5%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	100.0%	72.0%
<u>District 15A</u>										
Alamance	784	12	75	218	4	0	0	48	1,141	748
% of Total	68.7%	1.1%	6.6%	19.1%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	4.2%	100.0%	65.6%
<u>District 15B</u>										
Chatham	60	17	8	24	8	4	0	3	124	94
Orange	154	48	20	198	10	0	0	32	462	302
District Totals	214	65	28	222	18	4	0	35	586	396
% of Total	36.5%	11.1%	4.8%	37.9%	3.1%	0.7%	0.0%	6.0%	100.0%	67.6%
<u>District 16</u>										
Robeson	933	6	103	73	28	0	1	48	1,192	257
Scotland	339	7	24	4	1	0	0	15	390	165
District Totals	1,272	13	127	77	29	0	1	63	1,582	422
% of Total	80.4%	0.8%	8.0%	4.9%	1.8%	0.0%	0.1%	4.0%	100.0%	26.7%

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<u>District 17A</u>										
Caswell	58	15	2	5	0	0	0	4	84	23
Rockingham	577	44	14	154	7	0	0	17	813	634
District Totals	635	59	16	159	7	0	0	21	897	657
% of Total	70.8%	6.6%	1.8%	17.7%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	100.0%	73.2%
<u>District 17B</u>										
Stokes	205	22	15	3	19	0	0	6	270	17
Surry	441	52	4	34	2	0	0	15	548	296
District Totals	646	74	19	37	21	0	0	21	818	313
% of Total	79.0%	9.0%	2.3%	4.5%	2.6%	0.0%	0.0%	2.6%	100.0%	38.3%
<u>District 18</u>										
Guilford	2,494	0	76	1,023	149	0	0	84	3,826	2,332
% of Total	65.2%	0.0%	2.0%	26.7%	3.9%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%	100.0%	61.0%
<u>District 19A</u>										
Cabarrus	431	80	25	398	15	0	0	8	957	430
Rowan	335	96	22	272	10	0	0	14	749	528
District Totals	766	176	47	670	25	0	0	22	1,706	958
% of Total	44.9%	10.3%	2.8%	39.3%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%	100.0%	56.2%
<u>District 19B</u>										
Montgomery	129	49	7	274	6	0	0	38	503	179
Randolph	309	41	23	103	24	0	0	55	555	336
District Totals	438	90	30	377	30	0	0	93	1,058	515
% of Total	41.4%	8.5%	2.8%	35.6%	2.8%	0.0%	0.0%	8.8%	100.0%	48.7%
<u>District 20</u>										
Anson	51	76	5	82	11	0	0	2	227	139
Moore	170	50	7	358	0	0	0	11	596	555
Richmond	171	77	12	162	7	0	0	7	436	357
Stanly	87	36	14	111	2	0	0	1	251	203
Union	78	181	7	188	2	0	0	5	461	395
District Totals	557	420	45	901	22	0	0	26	1,971	1,649
% of Total	28.3%	21.3%	2.3%	45.7%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%	100.0%	83.7%
<u>District 21</u>										
Forsyth	1,055	310	33	317	26	0	0	24	1,765	900
% of Total	59.8%	17.6%	1.9%	18.0%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	100.0%	51.0%
<u>District 22</u>										
Alexander	45	9	5	19	0	0	0	4	82	56
Davidson	327	71	17	62	3	0	0	43	523	201
Davie	32	5	7	5	0	0	0	1	50	26
Iredell	192	31	26	62	4	0	0	40	355	134
District Totals	596	116	55	148	7	0	0	88	1,010	417
% of Total	59.0%	11.5%	5.4%	14.7%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	8.7%	100.0%	41.3%
<u>District 23</u>										
Alleghany	0	1	5	9	2	0	0	1	18	7
Ashe	29	12	7	2	0	0	0	9	59	46
Wilkes	86	18	21	57	2	0	0	13	197	87
Yadkin	90	7	6	4	0	0	0	5	112	80
District Totals	205	38	39	72	4	0	0	28	386	220
% of Total	53.1%	9.8%	10.1%	18.7%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	7.3%	100.0%	57.0%

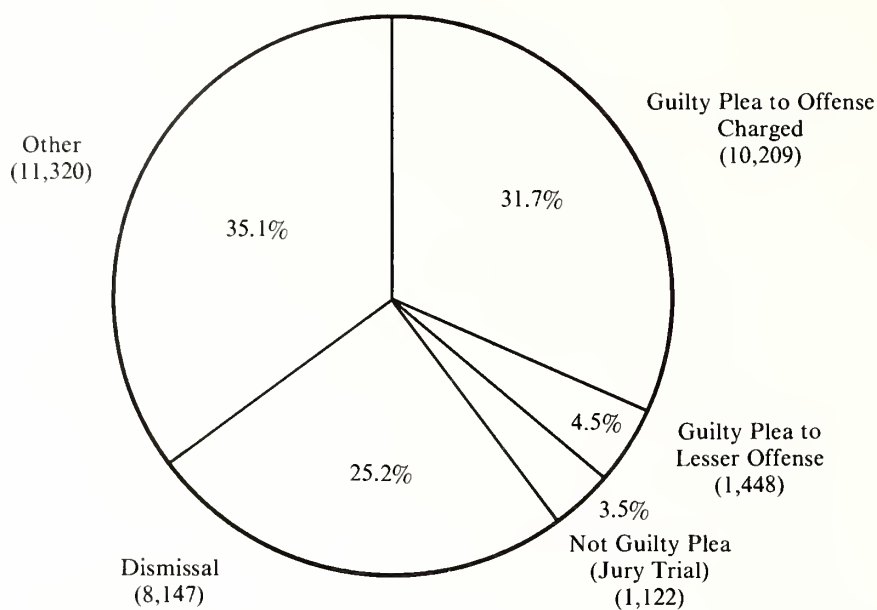
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	Guilty Pleas		Jury Trials	DA Dismissal			Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
	As Charged	Lesser Offense		Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution				
<u>District 24</u>										
Avery	0	7	4	4	0	0	0	1	16	9
Madison	6	26	16	24	6	7	0	19	104	45
Mitchell	16	14	2	60	4	0	0	2	98	68
Watauga	23	71	11	60	4	0	4	0	173	117
Yancey	0	10	2	15	0	0	0	1	28	19
District Totals	45	128	35	163	14	7	4	23	419	258
% of Total	10.7%	30.5%	8.4%	38.9%	3.3%	1.7%	1.0%	5.5%	100.0%	61.6%
<u>District 25</u>										
Burke	172	86	16	226	19	0	0	15	534	384
Caldwell	140	91	20	161	9	0	1	23	445	328
Catawba	354	6	15	335	6	0	0	13	729	386
District Totals	666	183	51	722	34	0	1	51	1,708	1,098
% of Total	39.0%	10.7%	3.0%	42.3%	2.0%	0.0%	0.1%	3.0%	100.0%	64.3%
<u>District 26</u>										
Mecklenburg	1,054	1,010	152	1,051	219	3	2	76	3,567	1,021
% of Total	29.5%	28.3%	4.3%	29.5%	6.1%	0.1%	0.1%	2.1%	100.0%	28.6%
<u>District 27A</u>										
Gaston	651	0	75	523	87	1	3	35	1,375	624
% of Total	47.3%	0.0%	5.5%	38.0%	6.3%	0.1%	0.2%	2.5%	100.0%	45.4%
<u>District 27B</u>										
Cleveland	369	64	18	166	9	0	0	23	649	416
Lincoln	264	51	14	98	0	0	0	8	435	215
District Totals	633	115	32	264	9	0	0	31	1,084	631
% of Total	58.4%	10.6%	3.0%	24.4%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	2.9%	100.0%	58.2%
<u>District 28</u>										
Buncombe	836	1	21	135	41	0	0	15	1,049	382
% of Total	79.7%	0.1%	2.0%	12.9%	3.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	100.0%	36.4%
<u>District 29</u>										
Henderson	147	36	14	44	19	0	0	12	272	183
McDowell	49	41	12	51	5	0	0	10	168	83
Polk	23	11	7	15	0	0	0	1	57	37
Rutherford	118	107	34	110	28	0	0	5	402	217
Transylvania	70	4	3	62	1	0	0	5	145	98
District Totals	407	199	70	282	53	0	0	33	1,044	618
% of Total	39.0%	19.1%	6.7%	27.0%	5.1%	0.0%	0.0%	3.2%	100.0%	59.2%
<u>District 30</u>										
Cherokee	4	0	5	14	0	0	0	0	23	10
Clay	2	14	6	18	4	13	0	0	57	30
Graham	1	16	12	3	0	0	0	0	32	28
Haywood	120	84	20	156	9	0	0	18	407	222
Jackson	25	56	15	54	0	1	0	7	158	120
Macon	15	13	4	37	5	0	0	9	83	51
Swain	14	22	0	29	0	0	0	9	74	55
District Totals	181	205	62	311	18	14	0	43	834	516
% of Total	21.7%	24.6%	7.4%	37.3%	2.2%	1.7%	0.0%	5.2%	100.0%	61.9%
State Totals	25,293	5,300	1,950	13,275	1,605	39	23	1,405	48,890	27,698
% of Total	51.7%	10.8%	4.0%	27.2%	3.3%	0.1%	.0%	2.9%	100.0%	56.7%

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Guilty pleas account for about 36% of misdemeanor dispositions in superior court, the overwhelming majority of which are guilty pleas to the offense charged. The "other" category on this chart includes withdrawn appeals, cases remanded to district court for judgment, and other miscellaneous dispositions such as change of venue, dismissal

by the court, no true bill, probation violations from other counties, and dispositions of writs of habeas corpus from fugitive warrants. Dismissals on this chart include voluntary dismissals with and without leave, and speedy trial dismissals.

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	Guilty Pleas		Jury Trials	DA Dismissal			Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
	As Charged	Lesser Offense		Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution				
<u>District 1</u>										
Camden	16	6	2	7	2	0	0	13	46	1
Chowan	44	9	5	7	0	0	0	125	190	22
Currituck	52	11	1	18	3	0	0	4	89	0
Dare	94	57	19	54	7	0	2	100	333	14
Gates	34	10	1	5	12	0	0	28	90	11
Pasquotank	155	19	15	74	24	0	0	346	633	77
Perquimans	50	9	9	16	0	0	0	47	131	12
District Totals	445	121	52	181	48	0	2	663	1,512	137
% of Total	29.4%	8.0%	3.4%	12.0%	3.2%	0.0%	0.1%	43.8%	100.0%	9.1%
<u>District 2</u>										
Beaufort	149	11	16	55	11	0	0	33	275	75
Hyde	7	0	6	7	4	0	0	12	36	11
Martin	21	5	5	16	3	0	0	30	80	6
Tyrrell	8	1	4	2	0	0	0	12	27	0
Washington	9	3	4	2	8	0	0	39	65	5
District Totals	194	20	35	82	26	0	0	126	483	97
% of Total	40.2%	4.1%	7.2%	17.0%	5.4%	0.0%	0.0%	26.1%	100.0%	20.1%
<u>District 3</u>										
Carteret	66	2	10	24	28	0	0	44	174	28
Craven	188	19	29	74	10	0	0	78	398	153
Pamlico	6	0	5	7	0	0	0	6	24	11
Pitt	464	33	24	148	27	0	1	436	1,133	376
District Totals	724	54	68	253	65	0	1	564	1,729	568
% of Total	41.9%	3.1%	3.9%	14.6%	3.8%	0.0%	0.1%	32.6%	100.0%	32.9%
<u>District 4</u>										
Duplin	12	5	3	16	2	0	0	18	56	20
Jones	2	0	1	5	0	0	0	1	9	6
Onslow	157	0	18	84	18	0	0	60	337	115
Sampson	33	0	2	15	7	0	0	10	67	17
District Totals	204	5	24	120	27	0	0	89	469	158
% of Total	43.5%	1.1%	5.1%	25.6%	5.8%	0.0%	0.0%	19.0%	100.0%	33.7%
<u>District 5</u>										
New Hanover	394	27	30	196	35	0	0	169	851	85
Pender	20	5	2	13	3	0	0	13	56	21
District Totals	414	32	32	209	38	0	0	182	907	106
% of Total	45.6%	3.5%	3.5%	23.0%	4.2%	0.0%	0.0%	20.1%	100.0%	11.7%
<u>District 6</u>										
Bertie	2	39	1	22	1	0	0	20	85	45
Halifax	140	23	6	95	22	0	0	80	366	113
Hertford	49	6	1	19	6	0	0	40	121	47
Northampton	32	4	2	14	9	0	0	21	82	30
District Totals	223	72	10	150	38	0	0	161	654	235
% of Total	34.1%	11.0%	1.5%	22.9%	5.8%	0.0%	0.0%	24.6%	100.0%	35.9%
<u>District 7</u>										
Edgecombe	41	9	11	67	7	0	0	43	178	47
Nash	78	18	11	49	10	0	0	57	223	23
Wilson	49	9	6	31	10	0	0	102	207	28
District Totals	168	36	28	147	27	0	0	202	608	98
% of Total	27.6%	5.9%	4.6%	24.2%	4.4%	0.0%	0.0%	33.2%	100.0%	16.1%

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	As Charged	Lesser Offense		Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution				
District 8										
Greene	20	12	2	23	4	0	0	30	91	14
Lenoir	92	35	30	110	23	0	0	173	463	72
Wayne	190	58	19	117	17	0	0	358	759	195
District Totals	302	105	51	250	44	0	0	561	1,313	281
% of Total	23.0%	8.0%	3.9%	19.0%	3.4%	0.0%	0.0%	42.7%	100.0%	21.4%
District 9										
Franklin	57	0	4	20	1	0	0	34	116	60
Granville	88	11	6	42	23	0	0	64	234	93
Person	56	13	3	42	1	0	0	66	181	67
Vance	182	0	4	77	9	0	0	50	322	157
Warren	66	5	3	27	2	0	0	11	114	65
District Totals	449	29	20	208	36	0	0	225	967	442
% of Total	46.4%	3.0%	2.1%	21.5%	3.7%	0.0%	0.0%	23.3%	100.0%	45.7%
District 10										
Wake	336	22	24	391	433	0	0	419	1,625	335
% of Total	20.7%	1.4%	1.5%	24.1%	26.6%	0.0%	0.0%	25.8%	100.0%	20.6%
District 11										
Harnett	47	3	3	24	2	0	0	13	92	42
Johnston	111	6	7	34	10	0	0	69	237	108
Lee	60	47	5	33	18	0	0	77	240	109
District Totals	218	56	15	91	30	0	0	159	569	259
% of Total	38.3%	9.8%	2.6%	16.0%	5.3%	0.0%	0.0%	27.9%	100.0%	45.5%
District 12										
Cumberland	65	1	15	36	24	0	0	235	376	46
Hoke	18	0	5	8	0	0	0	7	38	15
District Totals	83	1	20	44	24	0	0	242	414	61
% of Total	20.0%	0.2%	4.8%	10.6%	5.8%	0.0%	0.0%	58.5%	100.0%	14.7%
District 13										
Bladen	35	20	9	20	7	0	0	35	126	50
Brunswick	57	15	6	26	2	1	0	39	146	84
Columbus	71	13	15	48	5	0	0	119	271	66
District Totals	163	48	30	94	14	1	0	193	543	200
% of Total	30.0%	8.8%	5.5%	17.3%	2.6%	0.2%	0.0%	35.5%	100.0%	36.8%
District 14										
Durham	139	1	21	79	1	0	0	71	312	141
% of Total	44.6%	0.3%	6.7%	25.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	22.8%	100.0%	45.2%
District 15A										
Alamance	358	1	22	101	10	0	0	215	707	323
% of Total	50.6%	0.1%	3.1%	14.3%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	30.4%	100.0%	45.7%
District 15B										
Chatham	11	14	9	15	2	0	0	18	69	33
Orange	8	3	3	28	1	0	0	26	69	19
District Totals	19	17	12	43	3	0	0	44	138	52
% of Total	13.8%	12.3%	8.7%	31.2%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	31.9%	100.0%	37.7%
District 16										
Robeson	335	0	47	38	45	0	3	331	799	161
Scotland	130	0	17	6	1	0	0	164	318	42
District Totals	465	0	64	44	46	0	3	495	1,117	203
% of Total	41.6%	0.0%	5.7%	3.9%	4.1%	0.0%	0.3%	44.3%	100.0%	18.2%

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<u>District 17A</u>										
Caswell	75	26	3	19	0	0	0	37	160	57
Rockingham	333	17	26	62	16	0	0	237	691	269
District Totals	408	43	29	81	16	0	0	274	851	326
% of Total	47.9%	5.1%	3.4%	9.5%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	32.2%	100.0%	38.3%
<u>District 17B</u>										
Stokes	111	18	10	3	9	0	0	48	199	3
Surry	312	12	6	17	17	0	0	216	580	72
District Totals	423	30	16	20	26	0	0	264	779	75
% of Total	54.3%	3.9%	2.1%	2.6%	3.3%	0.0%	0.0%	33.9%	100.0%	9.6%
<u>District 18</u>										
Guilford	380	0	21	259	46	0	0	247	953	327
% of Total	39.9%	0.0%	2.2%	27.2%	4.8%	0.0%	0.0%	25.9%	100.0%	34.3%
<u>District 19A</u>										
Cabarrus	167	7	17	144	65	0	0	193	593	75
Rowan	145	10	22	113	37	0	0	213	540	130
District Totals	312	17	39	257	102	0	0	406	1,133	205
% of Total	27.5%	1.5%	3.4%	22.7%	9.0%	0.0%	0.0%	35.8%	100.0%	18.1%
<u>District 19B</u>										
Montgomery	174	28	7	115	30	0	0	168	522	180
Randolph	371	4	9	147	103	0	1	364	999	299
District Totals	545	32	16	262	133	0	1	532	1,521	479
% of Total	35.8%	2.1%	1.1%	17.2%	8.7%	0.0%	0.1%	35.0%	100.0%	31.5%
<u>District 20</u>										
Anson	72	59	8	72	8	0	0	168	387	64
Moore	124	19	1	126	5	0	0	222	497	222
Richmond	99	37	4	152	21	0	0	176	489	244
Stanly	115	21	6	81	14	0	0	132	369	122
Union	77	54	12	120	8	0	0	135	406	152
District Totals	487	190	31	551	56	0	0	833	2,148	804
% of Total	22.7%	8.8%	1.4%	25.7%	2.6%	0.0%	0.0%	38.8%	100.0%	37.4%
<u>District 21</u>										
Forsyth	803	92	32	265	53	0	0	699	1,944	518
% of Total	41.3%	4.7%	1.6%	13.6%	2.7%	0.0%	0.0%	36.0%	100.0%	26.6%
<u>District 22</u>										
Alexander	53	5	13	17	2	0	0	99	189	50
Davidson	136	27	10	111	18	0	0	370	672	60
Davie	28	13	8	15	15	0	0	63	142	8
Iredell	137	16	17	86	23	0	0	471	750	65
District Totals	354	61	48	229	58	0	0	1,003	1,753	183
% of Total	20.2%	3.5%	2.7%	13.1%	3.3%	0.0%	0.0%	57.2%	100.0%	10.4%
<u>District 23</u>										
Alleghany	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	24	28	0
Ashe	4	1	4	3	0	0	0	27	39	3
Wilkes	58	9	12	47	0	0	0	156	282	30
Yadkin	29	1	6	16	1	0	0	59	112	25
District Totals	91	11	24	68	1	0	0	266	461	58
% of Total	19.7%	2.4%	5.2%	14.8%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	57.7%	100.0%	12.6%

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<u>District 24</u>										
Avery	0	2	0	7	0	0	0	1	10	2
Madison	4	1	6	7	0	0	0	7	25	4
Mitchell	9	5	3	2	2	0	0	7	28	8
Watauga	9	34	2	14	0	0	0	11	70	43
Yancey	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	9	0
District Totals	29	42	12	30	2	0	0	27	142	57
% of Total	20.4%	29.6%	8.5%	21.1%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	19.0%	100.0%	40.1%
<u>District 25</u>										
Burke	107	31	20	98	25	0	0	451	732	157
Caldwell	100	18	15	86	27	0	1	256	503	127
Catawba	184	3	10	129	48	0	8	334	716	113
District Totals	391	52	45	313	100	0	9	1,041	1,951	397
% of Total	20.0%	2.7%	2.3%	16.0%	5.1%	0.0%	0.5%	53.4%	100.0%	20.3%
<u>District 26</u>										
Mecklenburg	212	141	69	830	58	2	1	396	1,709	146
% of Total	12.4%	8.3%	4.0%	48.6%	3.4%	0.1%	0.1%	23.2%	100.0%	8.5%
<u>District 27A</u>										
Gaston	214	0	68	241	133	0	3	207	866	148
% of Total	24.7%	0.0%	7.9%	27.8%	15.4%	0.0%	0.3%	23.9%	100.0%	17.1%
<u>District 27B</u>										
Cleveland	141	20	24	84	7	0	5	101	382	130
Lincoln	66	15	6	44	1	0	0	42	174	39
District Totals	207	35	30	128	8	0	5	143	556	169
% of Total	37.2%	6.3%	5.4%	23.0%	1.4%	0.0%	0.9%	25.7%	100.0%	30.4%
<u>District 28</u>										
Buncombe	106	0	9	31	14	0	0	80	240	66
% of Total	44.2%	0.0%	3.8%	12.9%	5.8%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	100.0%	27.5%
<u>District 29</u>										
Henderson	73	4	11	37	7	0	0	66	198	63
McDowell	36	8	8	32	10	0	0	31	125	22
Polk	14	0	3	9	3	0	0	11	40	5
Rutherford	93	10	21	60	9	0	0	86	279	75
Transylvania	6	0	2	8	0	0	0	13	29	5
District Totals	222	22	45	146	29	0	0	207	671	170
% of Total	33.1%	3.3%	6.7%	21.8%	4.3%	0.0%	0.0%	30.8%	100.0%	25.3%
<u>District 30</u>										
Cherokee	29	2	5	16	0	0	0	0	52	14
Clay	8	2	4	3	2	0	0	1	20	17
Graham	10	11	14	9	0	0	0	3	47	32
Haywood	52	17	26	75	11	0	0	59	240	61
Jackson	4	21	3	14	1	1	0	5	49	27
Macon	13	4	6	27	0	0	0	11	61	27
Swain	5	3	2	16	1	0	0	5	32	13
District Totals	121	60	60	160	15	1	0	84	501	191
% of Total	24.2%	12.0%	12.0%	31.9%	3.0%	0.2%	0.0%	16.8%	100.0%	38.1%
State Totals	10,209	1,448	1,122	6,358	1,760	4	25	11,320	32,246	8,015
% of Total	31.7%	4.5%	3.5%	19.7%	5.5%	.0%	0.1%	35.1%	100.0%	24.9%

AGES OF FELONY (FEL) AND MISDEMEANOR (MIS) CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1987

		Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 1										
Camden	Fel	2	4	0	1	0	0	7	106.5	111.0
	Mis	10	5	0	2	1	0	18	107.7	72.0
Chowan	Fel	24	0	6	0	0	1	31	103.7	29.0
	Mis	23	2	1	3	0	0	29	56.3	28.0
Currituck	Fel	11	2	0	2	0	0	15	84.5	53.0
	Mis	25	6	11	16	1	0	59	120.8	91.0
Dare	Fel	39	1	23	11	2	0	76	113.3	90.0
	Mis	74	13	11	10	2	0	110	78.0	56.0
Gates	Fel	10	0	6	0	0	1	17	122.1	35.0
	Mis	11	3	2	6	0	0	22	104.3	76.5
Pasquotank	Fel	51	6	11	5	1	0	74	80.8	50.0
	Mis	97	13	8	5	0	0	123	65.4	57.0
Perquimans	Fel	7	1	1	1	0	0	10	75.2	50.0
	Mis	27	2	8	1	1	1	40	96.9	55.0
Dist Totals	Fel	144	14	47	20	3	2	230	98.4	50.0
% of Total		62.6%	6.1%	20.4%	8.7%	1.3%	0.9%	100.0%		
	Mis	267	44	41	43	5	1	401	83.6	57.0
% of Total		66.6%	11.0%	10.2%	10.7%	1.2%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 2										
Beaufort	Fel	28	43	7	18	3	7	106	201.2	92.0
	Mis	69	15	8	13	0	0	105	72.8	53.0
Hyde	Fel	5	0	5	0	0	6	16	643.6	162.0
	Mis	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	55.0	55.0
Martin	Fel	10	2	15	7	2	0	36	145.4	132.0
	Mis	16	3	3	13	0	0	35	138.0	99.0
Tyrrell	Fel	4	2	7	1	1	0	15	133.6	132.0
	Mis	3	1	0	2	1	0	7	139.1	120.0
Washington	Fel	12	0	1	7	0	0	20	106.9	66.0
	Mis	10	5	4	1	1	0	21	111.6	98.0
Dist Totals	Fel	59	47	35	33	6	13	193	212.5	120.0
% of Total		30.6%	24.4%	18.1%	17.1%	3.1%	6.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	100	24	15	29	2	0	170	93.5	72.5
% of Total		2200.0%	14.1%	8.8%	17.1%	1.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 3										
Carteret	Fel	16	12	8	13	0	0	49	132.1	99.0
	Mis	5	4	1	1	1	0	12	126.1	103.0
Craven	Fel	84	25	14	17	2	4	146	114.0	46.0
	Mis	48	5	9	2	1	0	65	66.1	41.0
Pamlico	Fel	10	0	6	0	5	0	21	180.0	123.0
	Mis	2	1	0	0	0	0	3	72.0	57.0
Pitt	Fel	215	86	18	42	12	0	373	97.6	77.0
	Mis	146	44	38	83	3	0	314	118.4	94.0
Dist Totals	Fel	325	123	46	72	19	4	589	107.5	77.0
% of Total		55.2%	20.9%	7.8%	12.2%	3.2%	0.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	201	54	48	86	5	0	394	109.7	84.0
% of Total		51.0%	13.7%	12.2%	21.8%	1.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 4										
Duplin	Fel	16	1	0	0	0	0	17	46.0	50.0
	Mis	11	1	0	0	0	0	12	31.0	8.0
Jones	Fel	54	0	4	0	0	0	58	13.7	4.0
	Mis	2	1	1	0	0	0	4	102.0	87.5
Onslow	Fel	239	12	5	2	2	0	260	38.8	32.0
	Mis	29	1	1	1	0	0	32	50.0	31.5
Sampson	Fel	6	0	4	0	0	0	10	66.6	46.0
	Mis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Dist Totals	Fel	315	13	13	2	2	0	345	35.8	29.0
% of Total		91.3%	3.8%	3.8%	0.6%	0.6%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	42	3	2	1	0	0	48	49.6	34.0
% of Total		87.5%	6.3%	4.2%	2.1%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

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District 5										
New Hanover	Fel	288	34	52	43	0	3	420	91.7	61.0
	Mis	95	9	12	10	0	0	126	70.5	50.0
Pender	Fel	50	14	143	1	3	0	211	117.3	127.0
	Mis	19	3	6	1	1	0	30	102.1	88.0
Dist Totals	Fel	338	48	195	44	3	3	631	100.2	82.0
% of Total		53.6%	7.6%	30.9%	7.0%	0.5%	0.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	114	12	18	11	1	0	156	76.5	50.0
% of Total		73.1%	7.7%	11.5%	7.1%	0.6%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 6										
Bertie	Fel	42	1	14	3	0	0	60	92.8	82.0
	Mis	9	1	2	1	0	0	13	92.3	54.0
Halifax	Fel	29	7	13	1	15	1	66	182.2	120.0
	Mis	22	2	5	11	6	0	46	136.5	93.0
Hertford	Fel	25	5	0	1	1	0	32	52.9	8.0
	Mis	28	2	0	0	0	0	30	54.1	56.0
Northampton	Fel	17	1	1	3	1	0	23	76.0	1.0
	Mis	4	2	1	2	0	0	9	113.4	120.0
Dist Totals	Fel	113	14	28	8	17	1	181	116.2	82.0
% of Total		62.4%	0.0%	15.5%	4.4%	9.4%	0.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	63	7	8	14	6	0	98	103.2	61.5
% of Total		64.3%	7.1%	8.2%	14.3%	6.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 7										
Edgecombe	Fel	78	1	24	6	2	0	111	85.4	43.0
	Mis	57	3	8	4	2	0	74	63.8	15.0
Nash	Fel	107	9	0	3	0	0	119	45.9	33.0
	Mis	26	2	1	4	2	3	38	281.6	50.0
Wilson	Fel	64	62	26	5	7	0	164	117.3	117.0
	Mis	18	4	3	18	4	0	47	170.2	160.0
Dist Totals	Fel	249	72	50	14	9	0	394	86.7	57.5
% of Total		63.2%	18.3%	12.7%	3.6%	2.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	101	9	12	26	8	3	159	147.3	50.0
% of Total		63.5%	5.7%	7.5%	16.4%	5.0%	1.9%	100.0%		
District 8										
Greene	Fel	10	0	4	3	0	0	17	96.5	43.0
	Mis	7	1	1	3	0	0	12	95.5	77.5
Lenoir	Fel	37	16	3	21	1	0	78	120.2	92.0
	Mis	56	9	17	13	1	0	96	100.3	72.5
Wayne	Fel	110	12	15	15	9	0	161	100.7	50.0
	Mis	95	15	25	41	3	0	179	112.7	81.0
Dist Totals	Fel	157	28	22	39	10	0	256	106.3	56.0
% of Total		61.3%	10.9%	8.6%	15.2%	3.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	158	25	43	57	4	0	287	107.9	76.0
% of Total		55.1%	8.7%	15.0%	19.9%	1.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 9										
Franklin	Fel	54	13	9	7	2	0	85	88.8	75.0
	Mis	25	5	3	15	7	8	63	287.4	153.0
Granville	Fel	32	9	5	2	1	0	49	85.0	63.0
	Mis	20	7	4	3	5	2	41	184.7	99.0
Person	Fel	41	17	8	6	3	8	83	211.4	96.0
	Mis	38	6	4	9	13	7	77	232.2	98.0
Vance	Fel	52	10	20	6	37	7	132	341.4	131.5
	Mis	59	9	8	9	13	5	103	190.3	85.0
Warren	Fel	16	5	6	3	5	0	35	154.0	98.0
	Mis	28	1	3	3	2	0	37	97.2	68.0
Dist Totals	Fel	195	54	48	24	48	15	384	207.6	90.0
% of Total		50.8%	14.1%	12.5%	6.3%	12.5%	3.9%	100.0%		
	Mis	170	28	22	39	40	22	321	208.0	84.0
% of Total		53.0%	8.7%	6.9%	12.1%	12.5%	6.9%	100.0%		

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<u>District 10</u>										
Wake	Fel	750	242	265	359	205	81	1,902	199.9	117.0
% of Total		39.4%	12.7%	13.9%	18.9%	10.8%	4.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	309	40	43	92	42	9	535	138.1	69.0
% of Total		57.8%	7.5%	8.0%	17.2%	7.9%	1.7%	100.0%		
<u>District 11</u>										
Harnett	Fel	41	2	3	4	1	0	51	67.6	29.0
	Mis	7	2	1	2	1	0	13	126.6	77.0
Johnston	Fel	56	0	5	0	0	0	61	45.4	46.0
	Mis	25	1	0	1	0	0	27	35.1	20.0
Lee	Fel	12	5	0	1	5	0	23	131.8	57.0
	Mis	6	0	0	1	0	0	7	55.0	29.0
Dist Totals	Fel	109	7	8	5	6	0	135	68.5	40.0
% of Total		80.7%	5.2%	5.9%	3.7%	4.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	38	3	1	4	1	0	47	63.4	33.0
% of Total		80.9%	6.4%	2.1%	8.5%	2.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 12</u>										
Cumberland	Fel	278	107	107	92	35	4	623	132.7	97.0
	Mis	28	16	8	8	1	1	62	126.2	95.0
Hoke	Fel	6	16	9	3	2	0	36	131.4	106.0
	Mis	1	2	4	2	5	0	14	317.0	156.0
Dist Totals	Fel	284	123	116	95	37	4	659	132.6	97.0
% of Total		43.1%	18.7%	17.6%	14.4%	5.6%	0.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	29	18	12	10	6	1	76	161.3	104.5
% of Total		38.2%	23.7%	15.8%	13.2%	7.9%	1.3%	100.0%		
<u>District 13</u>										
Bladen	Fel	9	7	7	13	3	3	42	252.8	146.0
	Mis	14	9	3	4	1	0	31	105.9	95.0
Brunswick	Fel	218	10	19	77	14	4	342	124.8	46.0
	Mis	16	0	2	19	2	0	39	188.4	218.0
Columbus	Fel	37	10	13	43	3	6	112	223.1	127.0
	Mis	43	10	17	33	1	3	107	160.8	127.0
Dist Totals	Fel	264	27	39	133	20	13	496	157.8	78.0
% of Total		53.2%	5.4%	7.9%	26.8%	4.0%	2.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	73	19	22	56	4	3	177	157.3	112.0
% of Total		41.2%	10.7%	12.4%	31.6%	2.3%	1.7%	100.0%		
<u>District 14</u>										
Durham	Fel	349	86	75	143	78	34	765	199.2	104.0
% of Total		45.6%	11.2%	9.8%	18.7%	10.2%	4.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	100	8	19	30	64	39	260	358.7	209.0
% of Total		38.5%	3.1%	7.3%	11.5%	24.6%	15.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 15A</u>										
Alamance	Fel	183	64	25	35	3	1	311	92.9	83.0
% of Total		58.8%	20.6%	8.0%	11.3%	1.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	88	10	23	28	6	0	155	118.1	83.0
% of Total		56.8%	6.5%	14.8%	18.1%	3.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 15B</u>										
Chatham	Fel	33	15	2	10	5	0	65	139.0	84.0
	Mis	36	3	3	4	0	0	46	60.2	21.0
Orange	Fel	100	27	33	26	0	1	187	112.2	89.0
	Mis	26	3	0	1	0	0	30	67.1	50.0
Dist Totals	Fel	133	42	35	36	5	1	252	119.1	89.0
% of Total		52.8%	16.7%	13.9%	14.3%	2.0%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	62	6	3	5	0	0	76	62.9	46.0
% of Total		81.6%	7.9%	3.9%	6.6%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

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<u>District 16</u>										
Robeson	Fel	217	66	37	15	11	2	348	99.4	70.0
	Mis	123	21	18	20	10	5	197	120.4	61.0
Scotland	Fel	84	19	22	24	5	5	159	131.6	75.0
	Mis	40	5	11	22	32	40	150	386.2	328.5
Dist Totals	Fel	301	85	59	39	16	7	507	109.5	75.0
% of Total		59.4%	16.8%	11.6%	7.7%	3.2%	1.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	163	26	29	42	42	45	347	235.3	102.0
% of Total		47.0%	7.5%	8.4%	12.1%	12.1%	13.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 17A</u>										
Caswell	Fel	2	1	3	1	1	0	8	168.5	141.0
	Mis	30	0	14	0	1	0	45	79.1	48.0
Rockingham	Fel	102	212	24	17	1	0	356	98.6	111.0
	Mis	130	37	38	23	5	0	233	98.8	83.0
Dist Totals	Fel	104	213	27	18	2	0	364	100.1	111.0
% of Total		28.6%	58.5%	7.4%	4.9%	0.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	160	37	52	23	6	0	278	95.6	76.0
% of Total		57.6%	13.3%	18.7%	8.3%	2.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 17B</u>										
Stokes	Fel	41	5	4	3	0	0	53	60.1	50.0
	Mis	25	2	1	3	0	0	31	62.3	34.0
Surry	Fel	29	6	4	0	0	4	43	235.2	75.0
	Mis	64	13	7	3	0	0	87	64.9	42.0
Dist Totals	Fel	70	11	8	3	0	4	96	138.6	55.0
% of Total		72.9%	11.5%	8.3%	3.1%	0.0%	4.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	89	15	8	6	0	0	118	64.2	40.0
% of Total		75.4%	12.7%	6.8%	5.1%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 18</u>										
Guilford	Fel	688	218	267	457	172	70	1,872	200.5	132.0
	Mis	90	13	86	60	31	10	290	206.5	147.0
% of Total		36.8%	11.6%	14.3%	24.4%	9.2%	3.7%	100.0%		
% of Total		31.0%	4.5%	29.7%	20.7%	10.7%	3.4%	100.0%		
<u>District 19A</u>										
Cabarrus	Fel	194	159	23	15	5	0	396	88.4	95.0
	Mis	131	39	54	35	6	0	265	112.3	95.0
Rowan	Fel	154	74	22	30	11	0	291	104.2	77.0
	Mis	116	8	8	32	25	0	189	139.4	55.0
Dist Totals	Fel	348	233	45	45	16	0	687	95.1	90.0
% of Total		50.7%	33.9%	6.6%	6.6%	2.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	247	47	62	67	31	0	454	123.6	78.0
% of Total		54.4%	10.4%	13.7%	14.8%	6.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 19B</u>										
Montgomery	Fel	26	0	14	18	11	2	71	196.8	147.0
	Mis	46	11	5	31	32	0	125	205.6	193.0
Randolph	Fel	372	52	17	61	24	3	529	121.9	78.0
	Mis	147	33	59	72	13	0	324	131.9	108.5
Dist Totals	Fel	398	52	31	79	35	5	600	130.8	78.0
% of Total		66.3%	8.7%	5.2%	13.2%	5.8%	0.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	193	44	64	103	45	0	449	152.4	113.0
% of Total		43.0%	9.8%	14.3%	22.9%	10.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

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<u>District 20</u>										
Anson	Fel	18	2	2	5	0	0	27	86.9	60.0
	Mis	36	8	8	15	5	0	72	129.6	80.0
Moore	Fel	97	21	44	20	1	0	183	108.9	90.0
	Mis	51	6	23	15	5	1	101	135.8	90.0
Richmond	Fel	71	12	15	6	2	0	106	77.9	62.0
	Mis	70	3	13	8	0	0	94	79.5	45.5
Stanly	Fel	34	10	3	6	1	0	54	114.2	88.0
	Mis	26	6	8	11	1	0	52	121.7	90.0
Union	Fel	84	10	31	20	9	10	164	197.1	81.0
	Mis	66	14	38	14	31	19	182	276.2	130.0
Dist Totals	Fel	304	55	95	57	13	10	534	129.3	83.0
% of Total		56.9%	10.3%	17.8%	10.7%	2.4%	1.9%	100.0%		
	Mis	249	37	90	63	42	20	501	173.9	92.0
% of Total		49.7%	7.4%	18.0%	12.6%	8.4%	4.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 21</u>										
Forsyth	Fel	506	161	90	54	6	0	817	81.8	67.0
% of Total		61.9%	19.7%	11.0%	6.6%	0.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	183	29	33	79	3	0	327	113.0	67.0
% of Total		56.0%	8.9%	10.1%	24.2%	0.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 22</u>										
Alexander	Fel	22	0	5	3	0	0	30	64.3	13.0
	Mis	18	2	1	5	0	0	26	75.5	14.0
Davidson	Fel	142	35	19	22	8	2	228	109.5	69.0
	Mis	68	7	4	13	2	0	94	82.2	47.0
Davie	Fel	15	1	0	0	0	0	16	41.0	43.0
	Mis	22	4	0	3	0	0	29	61.7	22.0
Iredell	Fel	60	34	10	46	0	0	150	117.3	111.0
	Mis	90	10	7	13	2	0	122	74.1	37.0
Dist Totals	Fel	239	70	34	71	8	2	424	106.5	69.0
% of Total		56.4%	16.5%	8.0%	16.7%	1.9%	0.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	198	23	12	34	4	0	271	75.7	34.0
% of Total		73.1%	8.5%	4.4%	12.5%	1.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 23</u>										
Alleghany	Fel	5	0	0	8	1	1	15	253.1	264.0
	Mis	10	0	2	8	6	0	26	215.0	208.0
Ashe	Fel	20	9	13	16	12	3	73	232.3	131.0
	Mis	11	13	4	12	4	1	45	188.7	117.0
Wilkes	Fel	64	16	21	21	9	6	137	176.2	118.0
	Mis	74	12	16	23	14	3	142	154.1	69.0
Yadkin	Fel	9	4	0	3	0	0	16	97.9	55.0
	Mis	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	41.0	41.0
Dist Totals	Fel	98	29	34	48	22	10	241	192.8	118.0
% of Total		40.7%	12.0%	14.1%	19.9%	9.1%	4.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	99	25	22	43	24	4	217	166.5	98.0
% of Total		45.6%	11.5%	10.1%	19.8%	11.1%	1.8%	100.0%		
<u>District 24</u>										
Avery	Fel	21	4	1	2	3	0	31	134.1	78.0
	Mis	15	0	4	1	0	0	20	70.4	48.0
Madison	Fel	8	3	8	0	5	0	24	177.4	166.0
	Mis	7	0	1	1	1	0	10	113.4	34.5
Mitchell	Fel	46	4	6	2	4	0	62	103.8	41.0
	Mis	17	2	0	1	0	0	20	50.3	25.0
Watauga	Fel	74	43	57	13	10	2	199	122.3	92.0
	Mis	7	9	7	22	0	0	45	188.2	168.0
Yancey	Fel	2	2	0	8	19	0	31	353.0	369.0
	Mis	3	0	5	13	5	0	26	257.5	269.0
Dist Totals	Fel	151	56	72	25	41	2	347	144.5	92.0
% of Total		43.5%	16.1%	20.7%	7.2%	11.8%	0.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	49	11	17	38	6	0	121	154.6	139.0
% of Total		40.5%	9.1%	14.0%	31.4%	5.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

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<u>District 25</u>										
Burke	Fel	98	49	53	74	24	29	327	237.4	133.0
	Mis	118	39	53	76	19	18	323	210.5	124.0
Caldwell	Fel	102	20	28	32	12	3	197	139.5	85.0
	Mis	105	21	41	29	20	0	216	133.8	96.0
Catawba	Fel	309	103	211	214	55	2	894	155.3	127.0
	Mis	105	45	71	113	57	4	395	201.6	148.0
Dist Totals	Fel	509	172	292	320	91	34	1,418	172.0	126.0
% of Total		35.9%	12.1%	20.6%	22.6%	6.4%	2.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	328	105	165	218	96	22	934	189.0	126.0
% of Total		35.1%	11.2%	17.7%	23.3%	10.3%	2.4%	100.0%		
<u>District 26</u>										
Mecklenburg	Fel	637	141	90	114	59	12	1,053	120.3	63.0
	% of Total	60.5%	13.4%	8.5%	10.8%	5.6%	1.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	286	56	50	103	42	3	540	139.9	85.0
% of Total		53.0%	10.4%	9.3%	19.1%	7.8%	0.6%	100.0%		
<u>District 27A</u>										
Gaston	Fel	291	19	7	2	1	2	322	67.4	56.0
	% of Total	90.4%	5.9%	2.2%	0.6%	0.3%	0.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	140	34	23	13	12	4	226	119.3	66.0
% of Total		61.9%	15.0%	10.2%	5.8%	5.3%	1.8%	100.0%		
<u>District 27B</u>										
Cleveland	Fel	42	13	14	59	17	2	147	193.2	196.0
	Mis	52	8	5	9	2	1	77	103.0	49.0
Lincoln	Fel	55	1	10	7	8	4	85	161.6	76.0
	Mis	20	2	3	7	7	1	40	202.6	91.0
Dist Totals	Fel	97	14	24	66	25	6	232	181.6	133.0
% of Total		41.8%	6.0%	10.3%	28.4%	10.8%	2.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	72	10	8	16	9	2	117	137.0	76.0
% of Total		61.5%	8.5%	6.8%	13.7%	7.7%	1.7%	100.0%		
<u>District 28</u>										
Buncombe	Fel	195	16	22	41	12	0	286	97.2	62.0
	% of Total	68.2%	5.6%	7.7%	14.3%	4.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	106	8	5	5	0	0	124	43.3	11.5
% of Total		85.5%	6.5%	4.0%	4.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 29</u>										
Henderson	Fel	42	8	1	39	2	0	92	136.9	99.0
	Mis	41	7	5	16	1	0	70	114.8	59.5
McDowell	Fel	40	28	8	15	4	5	100	155.9	103.0
	Mis	27	6	5	9	6	1	54	166.3	89.5
Polk	Fel	7	0	14	2	4	3	30	257.8	165.0
	Mis	6	3	3	3	3	0	18	176.8	132.5
Rutherford	Fel	69	46	12	29	17	0	173	150.7	91.0
	Mis	59	10	16	18	15	3	121	179.3	91.0
Transylvania	Fel	56	2	2	4	10	13	87	292.6	35.0
	Mis	15	0	0	2	1	4	22	265.8	37.5
Dist Totals	Fel	214	84	37	89	37	21	482	181.4	91.0
% of Total		44.4%	17.4%	7.7%	18.5%	7.7%	4.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	148	26	29	48	26	8	285	167.5	85.0
% of Total		51.9%	9.1%	10.2%	16.8%	9.1%	2.8%	100.0%		

AGES OF FELONY (FEL) AND MISDEMEANOR (MIS) CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1987

		Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
<u>District 30</u>										
Cherokee	Fel	8	0	4	6	39	37	94	573.0	492.5
	Mis	1	4	3	3	31	26	68	642.5	614.0
Clay	Fel	0	0	0	2	1	4	7	723.8	1,028.0
	Mis	3	5	0	2	0	1	11	180.9	92.0
Graham	Fel	41	0	0	0	0	0	41	30.2	29.0
	Mis	9	0	0	5	6	0	20	235.0	249.0
Haywood	Fel	65	4	2	16	1	11	99	228.8	64.0
	Mis	20	4	0	5	2	0	31	119.7	62.0
Jackson	Fel	52	0	11	8	5	0	76	92.1	29.0
	Mis	8	2	1	6	1	0	18	134.0	120.0
Macon	Fel	26	3	11	18	3	2	63	217.2	148.0
	Mis	8	0	0	0	0	5	13	424.8	27.0
Swain	Fel	33	5	11	1	7	0	57	113.0	47.0
	Mis	4	3	5	1	0	0	13	120.6	110.0
Dist Totals	Fel	225	12	39	51	56	54	437	251.6	68.0
% of Total		51.5%	2.7%	8.9%	11.7%	12.8%	12.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	53	18	9	22	40	32	174	365.5	252.5
% of Total		30.5%	10.3%	5.2%	12.6%	23.0%	18.4%	100.0%		
State Totals	Fel	9,342	2,645	2,320	2,641	1,083	411	18,442	146.0	88.0
% of Total		50.7%	14.3%	12.6%	14.3%	5.9%	2.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	4,768	874	1,096	1,514	653	228	9,133	151.4	83.0
% of Total		52.2%	9.6%	12.0%	16.6%	7.1%	2.5%	100.0%		

AGES OF FELONY (FEL) AND MISDEMEANOR (MIS) CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 1										
Camden	Fel	4	5	6	2	0	0	17	112.4	112.0
	Mis	18	8	3	16	1	0	46	144.1	110.0
Chowan	Fel	53	5	9	6	1	0	74	74.1	63.0
	Mis	143	17	18	9	2	1	190	60.2	34.0
Currituck	Fel	18	3	14	2	2	0	39	115.8	105.0
	Mis	61	11	6	10	1	0	89	95.6	73.0
Dare	Fel	168	24	33	47	14	0	286	112.0	72.0
	Mis	205	33	48	34	9	4	333	107.6	70.0
Gates	Fel	13	5	10	2	2	1	33	150.9	102.0
	Mis	41	16	17	13	3	0	90	113.9	95.0
Pasquotank	Fel	99	36	38	18	9	0	200	114.1	91.0
	Mis	445	76	50	58	4	0	633	69.4	53.0
Perquimans	Fel	20	4	1	6	0	0	31	95.2	68.0
	Mis	80	17	13	15	6	0	131	110.4	89.0
Dist Totals	Fel	375	82	111	83	28	1	680	109.8	83.0
% of Total		55.1%	12.1%	16.3%	12.2%	4.1%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	993	178	155	155	26	5	1,512	86.6	63.0
% of Total		65.7%	11.8%	10.3%	10.3%	1.7%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 2										
Beaufort	Fel	390	21	84	36	11	2	544	88.3	57.0
	Mis	164	48	43	16	4	0	275	91.2	74.0
Hyde	Fel	19	6	7	7	5	12	56	380.2	138.5
	Mis	16	4	3	11	0	2	36	238.0	106.5
Martin	Fel	95	13	14	6	2	0	130	72.8	55.0
	Mis	35	11	18	13	3	0	80	126.0	103.0
Tyrrell	Fel	5	9	8	7	0	0	29	154.8	140.0
	Mis	12	6	4	4	1	0	27	119.6	112.0
Washington	Fel	37	8	10	7	1	0	63	106.0	86.0
	Mis	35	13	5	9	3	0	65	114.2	86.0
Dist Totals	Fel	546	57	123	63	19	14	822	109.4	64.0
% of Total		66.4%	6.9%	15.0%	7.7%	2.3%	1.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	262	82	73	53	11	2	483	112.5	82.0
% of Total		54.2%	17.0%	15.1%	11.0%	2.3%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 3										
Carteret	Fel	89	27	46	38	8	0	208	132.6	112.0
	Mis	89	11	32	32	10	0	174	123.6	87.0
Craven	Fel	240	51	74	59	30	4	458	122.1	84.0
	Mis	229	36	109	23	1	0	398	83.0	64.0
Pamlico	Fel	15	37	5	5	3	0	65	116.2	106.0
	Mis	12	3	3	6	0	0	24	112.8	84.0
Pitt	Fel	758	137	148	115	11	0	1,169	90.6	65.0
	Mis	857	106	87	74	9	0	1,133	74.2	62.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,102	252	273	217	52	4	1,900	103.6	76.0
% of Total		58.0%	13.3%	14.4%	11.4%	2.7%	0.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,187	156	231	135	20	0	1,729	81.7	62.0
% of Total		68.7%	9.0%	13.4%	7.8%	1.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 4										
Duplin	Fel	463	26	13	3	0	0	505	31.0	19.0
	Mis	52	1	3	0	0	0	56	33.3	20.0
Jones	Fel	52	3	2	0	2	0	59	41.8	18.0
	Mis	8	0	0	1	0	0	9	66.8	57.0
Onslow	Fel	1,113	98	77	40	0	0	1,328	50.1	35.0
	Mis	293	29	14	1	0	0	337	43.4	36.0
Sampson	Fel	360	10	14	2	0	0	386	32.2	21.0
	Mis	59	0	2	6	0	0	67	45.6	20.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,988	137	106	45	2	0	2,278	42.6	28.0
% of Total		87.3%	6.0%	4.7%	2.0%	0.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	412	30	19	8	0	0	469	42.9	29.0
% of Total		87.8%	6.4%	4.1%	1.7%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

**AGES OF FELONY (FEL) AND MISDEMEANOR (MIS)
CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS**
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		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 5										
New Hanover	Fel	1,086	308	265	292	26	6	1,983	107.4	81.0
	Mis	552	94	92	101	9	3	851	94.0	69.0
Pender	Fel	121	501	37	11	0	3	673	93.2	92.0
	Mis	39	2	7	4	4	0	56	102.3	67.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,207	809	302	303	26	9	2,656	103.7	92.0
% of Total		45.4%	30.5%	11.4%	11.4%	1.0%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	591	96	99	105	13	3	907	94.5	68.0
% of Total		65.2%	10.6%	10.9%	11.6%	1.4%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 6										
Bertie	Fel	67	25	1	7	1	0	101	76.4	57.0
	Mis	45	13	5	21	1	0	85	103.5	70.0
Halifax	Fel	213	35	22	52	12	1	335	108.1	49.0
	Mis	231	22	41	51	17	4	366	110.4	59.5
Hertford	Fel	150	15	14	9	4	0	192	68.7	44.0
	Mis	81	7	15	12	6	0	121	100.3	56.0
Northampton	Fel	43	21	14	33	7	1	119	149.4	105.0
	Mis	38	8	8	20	8	0	82	153.5	102.5
Dist Totals	Fel	473	96	51	101	24	2	747	100.2	57.0
% of Total		63.3%	0.0%	6.8%	13.5%	3.2%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	395	50	69	104	32	4	654	113.0	65.0
% of Total		60.4%	7.6%	10.6%	15.9%	4.9%	0.6%	100.0%		
District 7										
Edgecombe	Fel	239	8	20	20	1	0	288	65.7	45.0
	Mis	130	12	24	8	2	2	178	81.6	62.0
Nash	Fel	408	214	40	44	2	0	708	77.9	71.0
	Mis	160	32	20	6	2	3	223	79.4	50.0
Wilson	Fel	253	16	51	22	4	0	346	69.5	45.0
	Mis	155	14	16	14	8	0	207	84.4	52.0
Dist Totals	Fel	900	238	111	86	7	0	1,342	73.1	51.0
% of Total		67.1%	17.7%	8.3%	6.4%	0.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	445	58	60	28	12	5	608	81.7	52.0
% of Total		73.2%	9.5%	9.9%	4.6%	2.0%	0.8%	100.0%		
District 8										
Greene	Fel	44	9	10	11	10	0	84	124.4	77.0
	Mis	41	13	18	17	2	0	91	119.1	101.0
Lenoir	Fel	207	41	45	23	6	0	322	82.8	63.0
	Mis	256	69	85	53	0	0	463	90.9	79.0
Wayne	Fel	261	98	117	74	2	0	552	107.7	92.0
	Mis	498	86	110	57	8	0	759	74.5	62.0
Dist Totals	Fel	512	148	172	108	18	0	958	100.8	80.0
% of Total		53.4%	15.4%	18.0%	11.3%	1.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	795	168	213	127	10	0	1,313	83.3	69.0
% of Total		60.5%	12.8%	16.2%	9.7%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 9										
Franklin	Fel	85	21	20	23	4	0	153	105.4	78.0
	Mis	56	14	18	24	2	2	116	129.9	91.5
Granville	Fel	120	64	29	35	16	20	284	235.9	106.0
	Mis	107	33	22	36	34	2	234	176.7	99.0
Person	Fel	62	28	48	24	2	2	166	119.2	113.0
	Mis	91	21	36	27	5	1	181	122.0	89.0
Vance	Fel	188	50	28	74	11	1	352	115.9	83.0
	Mis	131	64	46	67	13	1	322	133.9	112.0
Warren	Fel	25	28	21	4	7	0	85	133.0	103.0
	Mis	55	26	12	17	4	0	114	114.0	91.5
Dist Totals	Fel	480	191	146	160	40	23	1,040	149.0	99.0
% of Total		46.2%	18.4%	14.0%	15.4%	3.8%	2.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	440	158	134	171	58	6	967	139.2	99.0
% of Total		45.5%	16.3%	13.9%	17.7%	6.0%	0.6%	100.0%		

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		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
<u>District 10</u>										
Wake	Fel	929	474	692	1,122	476	143	3,836	220.2	164.0
% of Total		24.2%	12.4%	18.0%	29.2%	12.4%	3.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,014	221	192	135	56	7	1,625	98.0	63.0
% of Total		62.4%	13.6%	11.8%	8.3%	3.4%	0.4%	100.0%		
<u>District 11</u>										
Harnett	Fel	219	17	50	8	0	1	295	81.6	63.0
	Mis	63	13	11	5	0	0	92	75.2	64.5
Johnston	Fel	188	38	35	15	0	0	276	79.0	62.0
	Mis	194	24	14	5	0	0	237	55.3	45.0
Lee	Fel	321	41	41	56	0	0	459	86.5	56.0
	Mis	173	18	22	23	4	0	240	86.9	56.0
Dist Totals	Fel	728	96	126	79	0	1	1,030	83.1	62.0
% of Total		70.7%	9.3%	12.2%	7.7%	0.0%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	430	55	47	33	4	0	569	71.8	54.0
% of Total		75.6%	9.7%	8.3%	5.8%	0.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 12</u>										
Cumberland	Fel	653	162	234	232	69	6	1,356	124.1	93.0
	Mis	256	32	45	31	12	0	376	94.3	76.0
Hoke	Fel	96	13	10	4	1	0	124	49.5	22.0
	Mis	24	4	7	3	0	0	38	89.1	79.0
Dist Totals	Fel	749	175	244	236	70	6	1,480	117.8	87.0
% of Total		50.6%	11.8%	16.5%	15.9%	4.7%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	280	36	52	34	12	0	414	93.8	76.0
% of Total		67.6%	8.7%	12.6%	8.2%	2.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 13</u>										
Bladen	Fel	17	50	52	51	9	2	181	194.2	180.0
	Mis	50	18	23	30	3	2	126	141.7	113.5
Brunswick	Fel	124	53	72	89	15	8	361	168.7	124.0
	Mis	46	26	40	32	2	0	146	138.7	122.5
Columbus	Fel	30	15	51	108	8	0	212	196.6	194.5
	Mis	106	37	81	45	2	0	271	126.9	113.0
Dist Totals	Fel	171	118	175	248	32	10	754	182.6	164.0
% of Total		22.7%	15.6%	23.2%	32.9%	4.2%	1.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	202	81	144	107	7	2	543	133.4	114.0
% of Total		37.2%	14.9%	26.5%	19.7%	1.3%	0.4%	100.0%		
<u>District 14</u>										
Durham	Fel	728	215	238	285	68	7	1,541	123.8	97.0
% of Total		47.2%	14.0%	15.4%	18.5%	4.4%	0.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	152	31	59	45	18	7	312	147.3	92.0
% of Total		48.7%	9.9%	18.9%	14.4%	5.8%	2.2%	100.0%		
<u>District 15A</u>										
Alamance	Fel	550	174	241	155	21	0	1,141	110.0	98.0
% of Total		48.2%	15.2%	21.1%	13.6%	1.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	400	127	81	83	12	4	707	104.3	78.0
% of Total		56.6%	18.0%	11.5%	11.7%	1.7%	0.6%	100.0%		
<u>District 15B</u>										
Chatham	Fel	62	7	24	17	13	1	124	145.2	91.5
	Mis	34	9	11	14	1	0	69	113.8	93.0
Orange	Fel	250	61	86	60	5	0	462	97.6	74.0
	Mis	39	8	17	4	1	0	69	93.3	68.0
Dist Totals	Fel	312	68	110	77	18	1	586	107.6	82.0
% of Total		53.2%	11.6%	18.8%	13.1%	3.1%	0.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	73	17	28	18	2	0	138	103.5	79.0
% of Total		52.9%	12.3%	20.3%	13.0%	1.4%	0.0%	100.0%		

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		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
<u>District 16</u>										
Robeson	Fel	583	251	188	140	28	2	1,192	108.8	92.0
	Mis	424	106	121	97	50	1	799	117.1	83.0
Scotland	Fel	156	44	92	83	11	4	390	138.0	118.0
	Mis	91	27	69	76	50	5	318	207.0	159.0
Dist Totals	Fel	739	295	280	223	39	6	1,582	116.0	92.0
% of Total		46.7%	18.6%	17.7%	14.1%	2.5%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	515	133	190	173	100	6	1,117	142.7	102.0
% of Total		46.1%	11.9%	17.0%	15.5%	9.0%	0.5%	100.0%		
<u>District 17A</u>										
Caswell	Fel	70	7	4	3	0	0	84	42.6	23.0
	Mis	145	11	0	4	0	0	160	48.1	46.5
Rockingham	Fel	604	103	74	29	3	0	813	66.4	57.0
	Mis	511	69	74	32	5	0	691	67.8	55.0
Dist Totals	Fel	674	110	78	32	3	0	897	64.1	52.0
% of Total		75.1%	12.3%	8.7%	3.6%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	656	80	74	36	5	0	851	64.1	55.0
% of Total		77.1%	9.4%	8.7%	4.2%	0.6%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 17B</u>										
Stokes	Fel	176	38	18	36	2	0	270	81.6	50.0
	Mis	107	30	21	38	3	0	199	102.5	85.0
Surry	Fel	408	110	21	7	2	0	548	70.1	69.0
	Mis	437	72	42	27	2	0	580	72.4	67.0
Dist Totals	Fel	584	148	39	43	4	0	818	73.9	63.0
% of Total		71.4%	18.1%	4.8%	5.3%	0.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	544	102	63	65	5	0	779	80.0	68.0
% of Total		69.8%	13.1%	8.1%	8.3%	0.6%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 18</u>										
Guilford	Fel	1,603	466	687	655	159	256	3,826	198.0	109.0
	% of Total	41.9%	12.2%	18.0%	17.1%	4.2%	6.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	590	64	92	127	32	48	953	158.2	69.0
% of Total		61.9%	6.7%	9.7%	13.3%	3.4%	5.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 19A</u>										
Cabarrus	Fel	569	147	136	83	4	18	957	105.1	81.0
	Mis	271	158	99	51	12	2	593	111.7	96.0
Rowan	Fel	489	131	56	55	16	2	749	99.1	81.0
	Mis	316	63	81	68	9	3	540	104.7	74.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,058	278	192	138	20	20	1,706	102.4	81.0
% of Total		62.0%	16.3%	11.3%	8.1%	1.2%	1.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	587	221	180	119	21	5	1,133	108.3	86.0
% of Total		51.8%	19.5%	15.9%	10.5%	1.9%	0.4%	100.0%		
<u>District 19B</u>										
Montgomery	Fel	68	221	113	60	36	5	503	162.2	105.0
	Mis	190	79	102	91	45	15	522	178.8	117.0
Randolph	Fel	168	103	93	154	32	5	555	173.7	124.0
	Mis	487	96	192	181	38	5	999	127.0	92.0
Dist Totals	Fel	236	324	206	214	68	10	1,058	168.2	113.0
% of Total		22.3%	30.6%	19.5%	20.2%	6.4%	0.9%	100.0%		
	Mis	677	175	294	272	83	20	1,521	144.7	100.0
% of Total		44.5%	11.5%	19.3%	17.9%	5.5%	1.3%	100.0%		

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		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 20										
Anson	Fel	99	29	45	48	6	0	227	119.6	105.0
	Mis	252	32	50	46	7	0	387	89.4	56.0
Moore	Fel	338	113	90	52	3	0	596	89.9	77.0
	Mis	381	47	32	30	7	0	497	76.6	60.0
Richmond	Fel	300	25	47	47	17	0	436	95.3	46.5
	Mis	317	27	59	65	15	6	489	105.3	59.0
Stanly	Fel	151	33	15	44	8	0	251	107.9	77.0
	Mis	247	40	35	45	2	0	369	85.7	62.0
Union	Fel	277	43	48	84	9	0	461	103.7	67.0
	Mis	253	55	47	40	11	0	406	93.7	62.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,165	243	245	275	43	0	1,971	100.0	70.0
% of Total		59.1%	12.3%	12.4%	14.0%	2.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,450	201	223	226	42	6	2,148	90.2	60.0
% of Total		67.5%	9.4%	10.4%	10.5%	2.0%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 21										
Forsyth	Fel	1,051	353	230	118	12	1	1,765	92.3	79.0
% of Total		59.5%	20.0%	13.0%	6.7%	0.7%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,580	181	104	72	7	0	1,944	60.9	48.0
% of Total		81.3%	9.3%	5.3%	3.7%	0.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 22										
Alexander	Fel	21	29	9	19	4	0	82	137.8	106.0
	Mis	97	36	30	23	3	0	189	99.2	69.0
Davidson	Fel	346	43	53	70	4	7	523	106.1	56.0
	Mis	508	47	59	53	5	0	672	70.3	41.5
Davie	Fel	30	9	7	4	0	0	50	72.2	63.0
	Mis	89	18	15	17	3	0	142	94.5	63.0
Iredell	Fel	163	40	39	83	23	7	355	153.9	96.0
	Mis	559	81	41	57	12	0	750	73.5	45.5
Dist Totals	Fel	560	121	108	176	31	14	1,010	123.7	69.4
% of Total		55.4%	12.0%	10.7%	17.4%	3.1%	1.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,253	182	145	150	23	0	1,753	76.7	47.0
% of Total		71.5%	10.4%	8.3%	8.6%	1.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 23										
Alleghany	Fel	5	1	0	8	3	1	18	258.9	216.5
	Mis	6	8	1	11	2	0	28	181.6	125.5
Ashe	Fel	19	0	12	25	3	0	59	159.8	172.0
	Mis	10	6	9	13	1	0	39	160.3	139.0
Wilkes	Fel	69	15	26	57	28	2	197	209.5	148.0
	Mis	138	36	28	59	19	2	282	142.0	95.0
Yadkin	Fel	53	11	31	15	2	0	112	118.3	98.0
	Mis	62	9	16	16	7	2	112	135.3	73.5
Dist Totals	Fel	146	27	69	105	36	3	386	177.7	140.0
% of Total		37.8%	7.0%	17.9%	27.2%	9.3%	0.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	216	59	54	99	29	4	461	144.3	97.0
% of Total		46.9%	12.8%	11.7%	21.5%	6.3%	0.9%	100.0%		
District 24										
Avery	Fel	10	1	1	4	0	0	16	98.8	44.5
	Mis	9	1	0	0	0	0	10	39.9	39.0
Madison	Fel	19	3	11	56	14	1	104	254.7	283.0
	Mis	2	3	4	14	1	1	25	280.7	246.0
Mitchell	Fel	26	9	13	44	6	0	98	193.6	221.5
	Mis	20	1	0	7	0	0	28	108.2	68.0
Watauga	Fel	81	5	21	51	15	0	173	151.1	122.0
	Mis	36	4	12	17	1	0	70	105.2	69.5
Yancey	Fel	7	0	7	5	1	8	28	373.6	188.5
	Mis	1	4	3	1	0	0	9	118.1	115.0
Dist Totals	Fel	143	18	53	160	36	9	419	199.6	175.0
% of Total		34.1%	4.3%	12.6%	38.2%	8.6%	2.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	68	13	19	39	2	1	142	132.8	97.0
% of Total		47.9%	9.2%	13.4%	27.5%	1.4%	0.7%	100.0%		

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District 25										
Burke	Fel	168	70	127	102	52	15	534	183.1	134.0
	Mis	355	34	122	174	40	7	732	132.2	106.5
Caldwell	Fel	116	122	111	60	31	5	445	164.1	120.0
	Mis	251	64	82	91	15	0	503	110.6	92.0
Catawba	Fel	191	93	192	173	77	3	729	169.3	139.0
	Mis	277	131	120	120	60	8	716	159.9	108.5
Dist Totals	Fel	475	285	430	335	160	23	1,708	172.2	130.0
% of Total		27.8%	16.7%	25.2%	19.6%	9.4%	1.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	883	229	324	385	115	15	1,951	136.7	103.0
% of Total		45.3%	11.7%	16.6%	19.7%	5.9%	0.8%	100.0%		
District 26										
Mecklenburg	Fel	1,312	553	753	745	183	21	3,567	146.6	118.0
% of Total		36.8%	15.5%	21.1%	20.9%	5.1%	0.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	734	188	327	386	68	6	1,709	136.3	110.0
% of Total		42.9%	11.0%	19.1%	22.6%	4.0%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 27A										
Gaston	Fel	973	164	146	76	13	3	1,375	74.5	55.0
% of Total		70.8%	11.9%	10.6%	5.5%	0.9%	0.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	563	101	77	80	24	21	866	120.0	68.0
% of Total		65.0%	11.7%	8.9%	9.2%	2.8%	2.4%	100.0%		
District 27B										
Cleveland	Fel	283	133	71	149	11	2	649	122.6	94.0
	Mis	177	41	79	75	10	0	382	122.3	98.5
Lincoln	Fel	264	66	38	66	0	1	435	104.6	77.0
	Mis	80	36	25	32	0	1	174	118.2	92.0
Dist Totals	Fel	547	199	109	215	11	3	1,084	115.3	90.0
% of Total		50.5%	18.4%	10.1%	19.8%	1.0%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	257	77	104	107	10	1	556	121.0	97.0
% of Total		46.2%	13.8%	18.7%	19.2%	1.8%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 28										
Buncombe	Fel	494	193	258	73	15	16	1,049	117.4	96.0
% of Total		47.1%	18.4%	24.6%	7.0%	1.4%	1.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	183	29	13	11	4	0	240	69.5	47.0
% of Total		76.3%	12.1%	5.4%	4.6%	1.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 29										
Henderson	Fel	122	42	37	68	3	0	272	121.4	103.0
	Mis	99	29	27	36	7	0	198	118.4	88.5
McDowell	Fel	87	24	23	31	3	0	168	112.1	83.5
	Mis	61	12	22	28	2	0	125	116.1	98.0
Polk	Fel	17	12	1	16	11	0	57	199.2	120.0
	Mis	6	4	18	7	2	3	40	261.3	150.5
Rutherford	Fel	136	35	50	117	53	11	402	206.8	148.5
	Mis	107	37	52	61	15	7	279	166.1	110.0
Transylvania	Fel	40	36	28	23	12	6	145	189.9	114.0
	Mis	10	3	5	6	4	1	29	206.5	167.0
Dist Totals	Fel	402	149	139	255	82	17	1,044	166.5	112.0
% of Total		38.5%	14.3%	13.3%	24.4%	7.9%	1.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	283	85	124	138	30	11	671	150.1	105.0
% of Total		42.2%	12.7%	18.5%	20.6%	4.5%	1.6%	100.0%		

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<u>District 30</u>										
Cherokee	Fel	8	0	11	3	1	0	23	143.5	140.0
	Mis	5	26	16	4	1	0	52	126.8	118.0
Clay	Fel	23	1	6	10	7	10	57	304.3	171.0
	Mis	11	1	8	0	0	0	20	93.3	56.0
Graham	Fel	7	1	8	10	2	4	32	272.2	193.0
	Mis	30	3	8	3	1	2	47	128.5	88.0
Haywood	Fel	145	61	49	68	42	42	407	256.5	115.0
	Mis	75	50	47	55	12	1	240	149.8	117.5
Jackson	Fel	94	10	26	23	4	1	158	109.0	70.5
	Mis	23	4	7	11	3	1	49	158.6	104.0
Macon	Fel	23	21	9	11	19	0	83	186.0	111.0
	Mis	25	11	8	15	1	1	61	149.8	111.0
Swain	Fel	13	23	13	15	9	1	74	193.8	132.0
	Mis	6	0	6	11	9	0	32	282.9	215.0
Dist Totals	Fel	313	117	122	140	84	58	834	216.7	114.0
% of Total		37.5%	14.0%	14.6%	16.8%	10.1%	7.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	175	95	100	99	27	5	501	152.4	116.0
% of Total		34.9%	19.0%	20.0%	19.8%	5.4%	1.0%	100.0%		
State Totals	Fel	24,225	7,373	7,365	7,346	1,900	681	48,890	129.9	91.0
% of Total		49.6%	15.1%	15.1%	15.0%	3.9%	1.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	19,285	3,759	4,163	3,925	920	194	32,246	105.8	71.0
% of Total		59.8%	11.7%	12.9%	12.2%	2.9%	0.6%	100.0%		

PART IV, Section 2

District Court Division Caseflow Data

The District Court Division

This section contains data tables and accompanying charts depicting the caseload in 1986-87 of cases filed and disposed of in the State's district courts.

As in prior years, this section gives data on three major case classifications in the district court division: civil cases, juvenile proceedings, and criminal cases. Civil cases are divided into "small claims" cases assigned to magistrates; domestic relations cases (chiefly concerned with annulments, divorces, alimony, custody and support of children); and "general civil" cases. Juvenile proceedings are classified according to the nature of the offense or condition alleged in the petition that initiates the case. District court criminal cases are divided into motor vehicle cases (where the offense charge is defined in Chapter 20 of the North Carolina General Statutes) and non-motor vehicle criminal cases.

In addition, this section gives data on a new classification of district court cases, "infractions." Effective September 1, 1986, the General Assembly decriminalized certain minor traffic offenses. Such offenses, now "infractions," are non-criminal violations of law; the sanction for a person found "responsible" (rather than "guilty") for an infraction is a non-criminal "penalty" (rather than "fine") not to exceed \$100, and cannot include imprisonment. Nearly all infraction cases were classified as criminal motor vehicle cases in prior Annual Reports. (An exception is the infraction of purchase or possession of alcohol by a 19 or 20 year old, which was neither an infraction nor a criminal offense prior to September 1, 1986.)

Magistrates may handle civil, criminal, and infraction cases in district court. When the plaintiff in a civil case requests, and the amount in controversy does not exceed \$1,500, the case may be classified as a "small claim" civil action and assigned to a magistrate for hearing. In misdemeanor or infraction cases involving alcohol, traffic, hunting, fishing, and boating violations, magistrates may accept written appearances, waivers of trial or hearing, and pleas of guilty or admissions of responsibility, and enter judgment in accord with the schedule of fines and penalties promulgated by chief district court judges. Also, magistrates may accept guilty pleas in other misdemeanor cases where the sentence cannot be in excess of 30 days or \$50 fine; and may hear and enter judgment in worthless check cases where the amount involved is \$500 or less, and any prison sentence imposed does not exceed 30 days.

Appeals from magistrates' judgments in both civil and criminal, and infraction cases are to the district court, with a district court judge presiding.

Consistent with previous years, the pie charts on the following page illustrate that district court criminal cases filed and disposed of in the 1986-87 year greatly outnumbered civil cases. Motor vehicle criminal cases and infractions accounted for over fifty percent of total filings and dispositions, and the non-motor vehicle criminal cases accounted for about twenty-five percent. As in past years, the greatest portion of district court civil filings and dispositions were small claims referred to magistrates.

The large volume categories of infraction, criminal motor-vehicle, and civil magistrate cases are not reported to AOC by case file numbers. Therefore, it is not possible to obtain, by computer processing, the numbers of pending cases as of a given date or the ages of cases pending and ages of cases at disposition. These categories of cases are processed through the courts faster than any others, thus explaining the decision not to allocate personnel and computer resource to reporting these cases in the detail that is provided for other categories of cases.

Also, juvenile proceedings and hearings on commitment or recommitment of persons to the State's mental hospital facilities are not reported to AOC by case file numbers.

Two tables are provided on juvenile proceedings: offenses and conditions alleged, and numbers of adjudicatory hearings held.

Data on district court hearings for mental hospital commitments and recommitments is reported in Part III, "Cost and Case Data on Representation of Indigents."

Ages of district court cases pending on June 30, 1987, and ages of cases disposed of during 1986-87 are reported for the domestic relations, general civil and magistrate appeal/transfer, and criminal non-motor vehicle case categories.

The tables for domestic relations and general civil and magistrate appeal/transfer cases show that the median age of such cases which were pending on June 30, 1987, was 154 and 167 days, respectively, compared with a median age of 143 days for domestic relations and 159 days for general civil and magistrate appeal/transfer cases pending on June 30, 1986. At the time of disposition during 1986-87, the median age of domestic relations cases was 53 days, and the median age for general civil and magistrate/transfer cases was 109 days, compared with a median age of 53 days at the time of disposition for domestic relations cases and 105 days for civil and magistrate appeal/transfer cases during 1985-86.

For district court non-motor vehicle criminal cases, the median age for cases pending on June 30, 1987, was 54 days compared with a median age of 50 days for cases pending on June 30, 1986. The median age of cases in this category at the time of disposition during 1986-87 was 29 days compared with a median age of 28 days at the time of disposition during 1985-86.

The statewide total district court filings during 1986-87, not including juvenile cases, and mental hospital commitment hearings, and civil license revocations, was 1,807,890 cases, compared with 1,626,149 during 1985-86, an increase of 181,741 (11.2%). Criminal motor vehicle cases and infraction cases together account for most of this increase. There were 975,488 of these cases filed during 1986-87, compared with 839,168 criminal motor vehicle cases filed during 1985-86, an increase of 136,320 cases (16.2%). (As explained above, most cases now classified as infractions were counted as criminal motor vehicle cases in prior years.) There was an increase of 22,292 cases (5.0%) in the non-motor vehicle criminal case category.

There also was an increase (6.8%) in district court civil

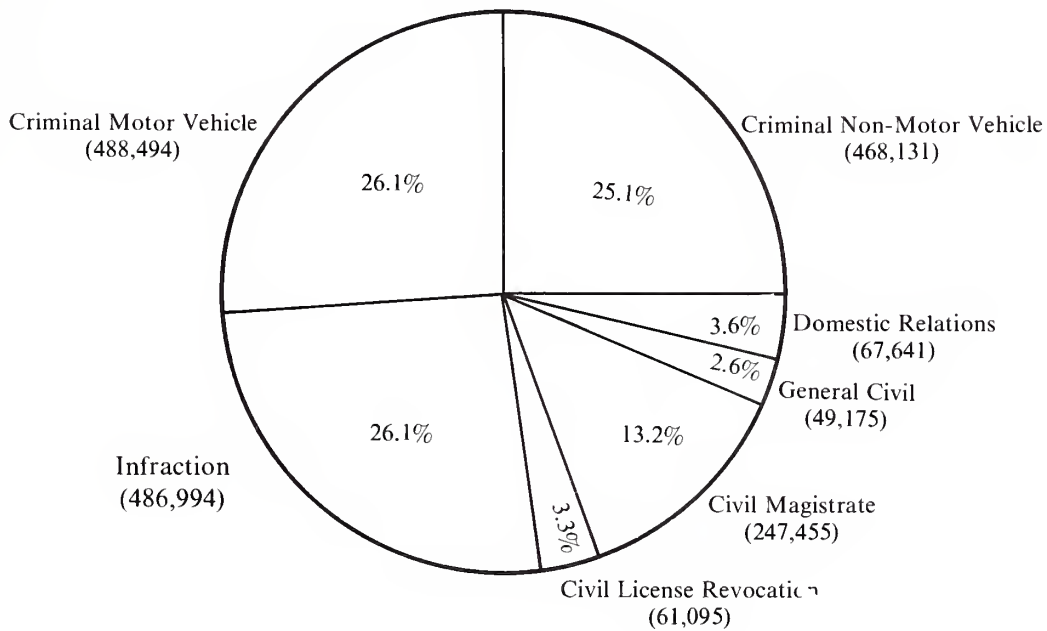
case filings, from a total of 341,142 in 1985-86 to 364,271 in 1986-87. Most of this increase was in civil magistrate filings, from 226,044 cases in 1985-86 to 247,455 cases in 1986-87, an increase of 9.5%. In the general civil category, there was an increase of 1,412 cases in 1986-87 compared to the number in 1985-86.

The changes from year-to-year in the individual case categories are not unusual. The over-all trend for *total* district court case filings over the past several years has been upward. This upward trend is reflected in the total 1986-87 district court case filings.

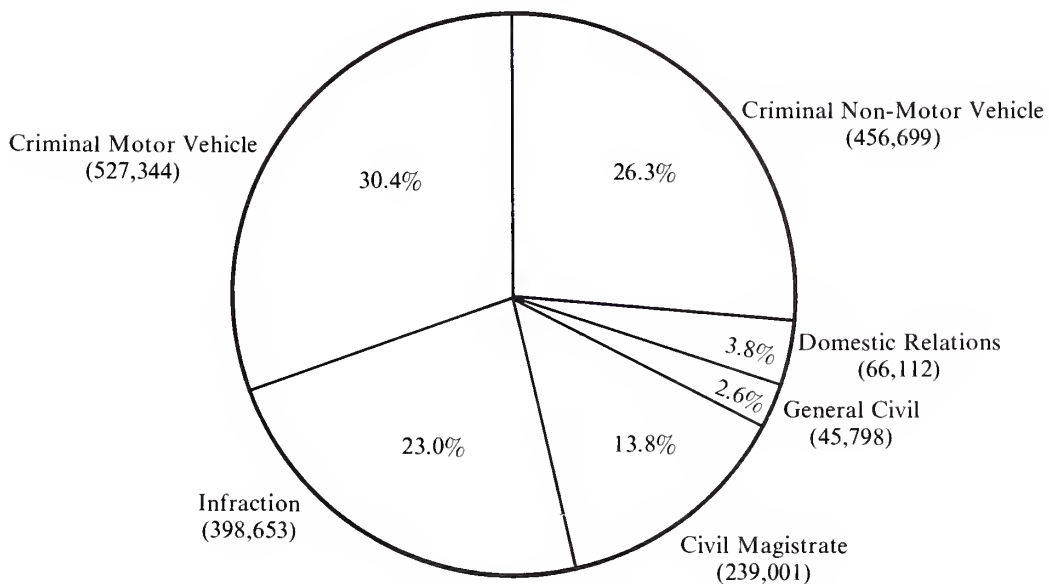
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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FILINGS



DISPOSITIONS

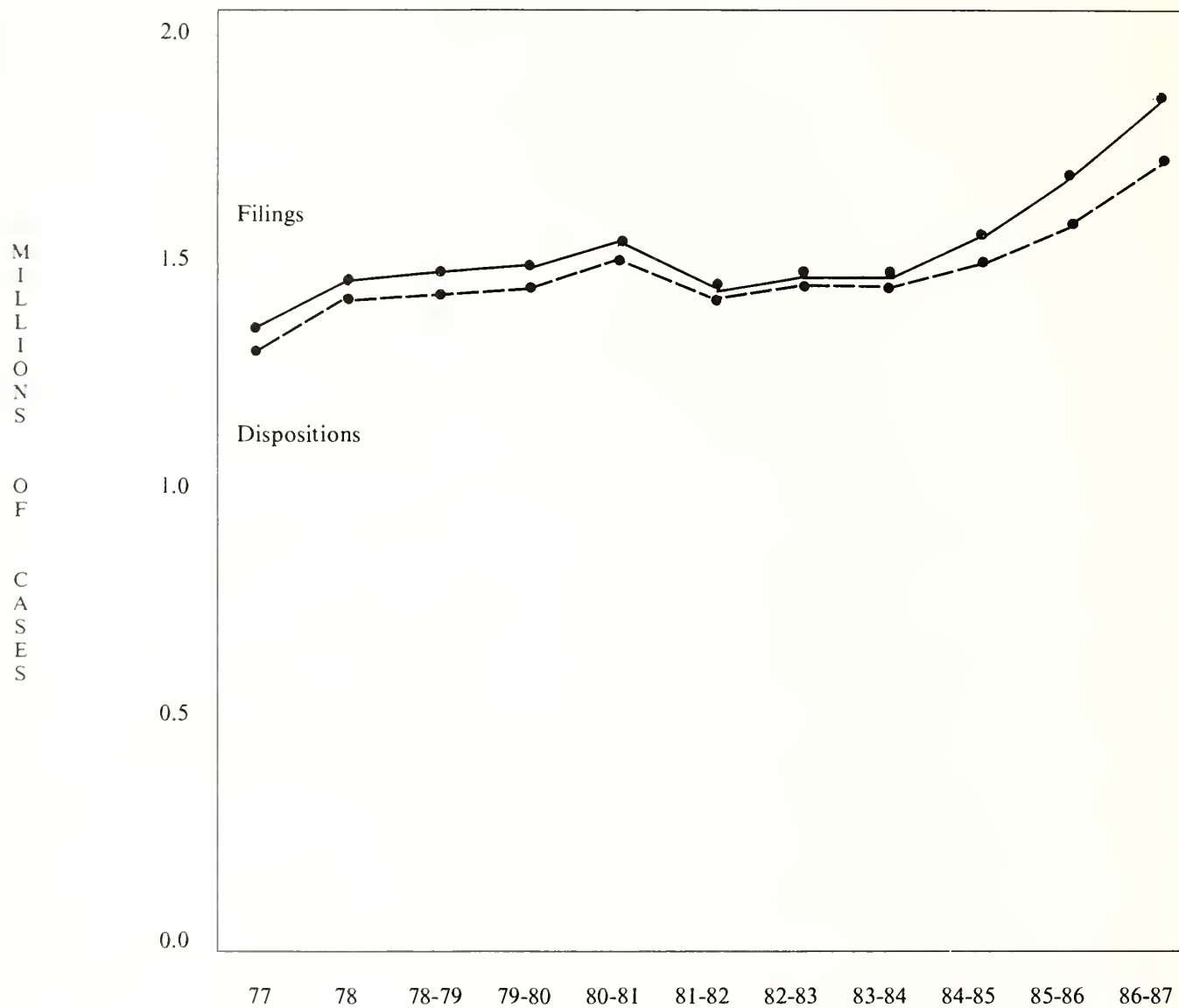


Effective September 1, 1986, many previously criminal minor traffic offenses were charged as infractions. The 486,994 infraction filings and 398,653 dispositions above all occurred after that date. Taken together, criminal motor vehicle and infraction cases still comprise more than half the district court caseload. The 61,095 civil

license revocations in the upper chart are automatic, 10-day driver license suspensions imposed on drivers arrested on suspicion of impaired driving whose breath tests show a blood alcohol content of 0.10 or more. They are counted only at filing, and do not appear on the disposition chart.

FILING AND DISPOSITION TRENDS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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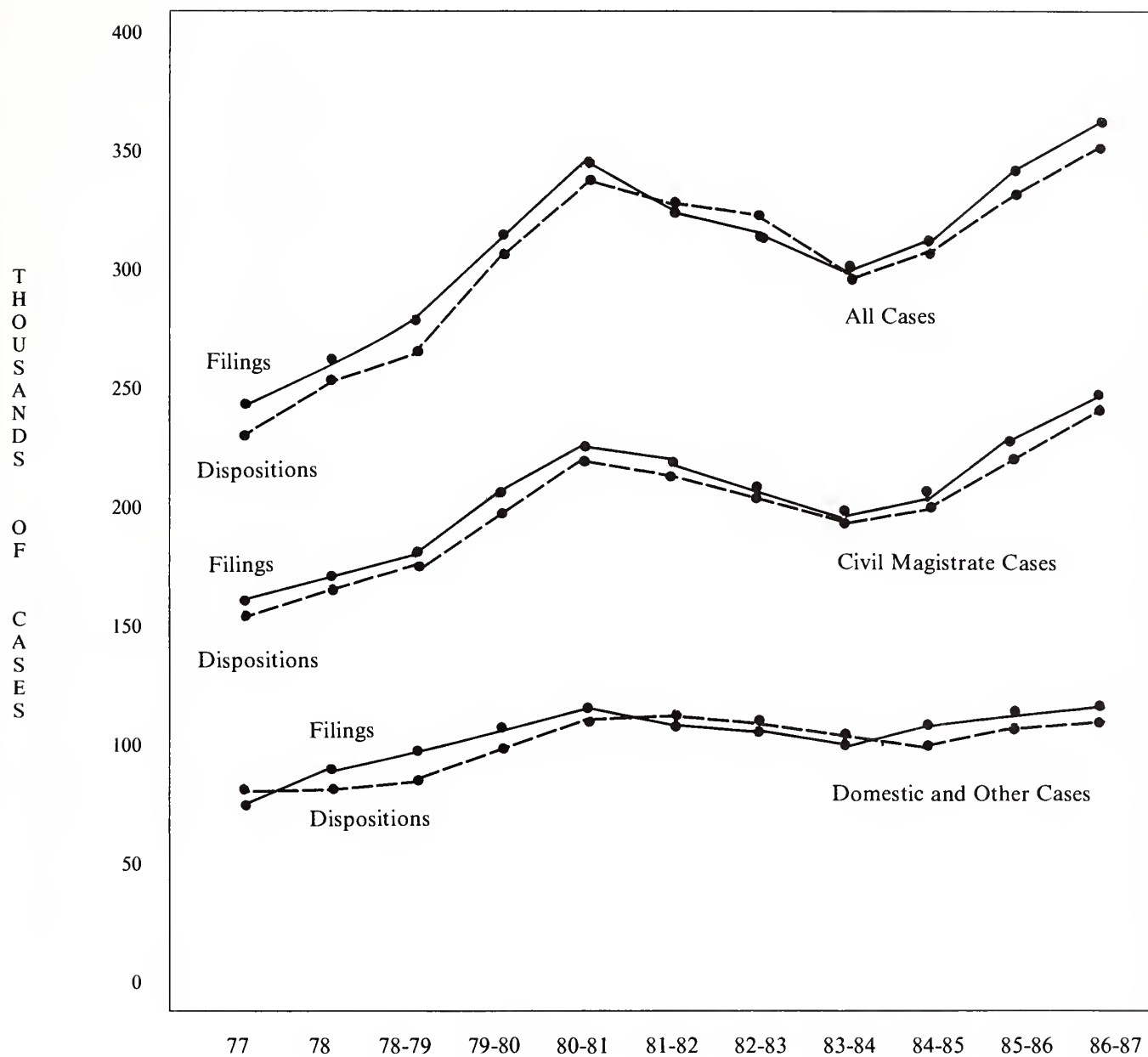


This graph includes all civil, infraction, and criminal case filings and dispositions in the district courts for the last decade. During the ten year period depicted on this graph, filings and dispositions have increased in all but one year.

Since 1977, total filings have increased from 1,327,195 cases to the present level of 1,807,890 cases, an increase of 36%.

FILING AND DISPOSITION TRENDS OF CIVIL CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

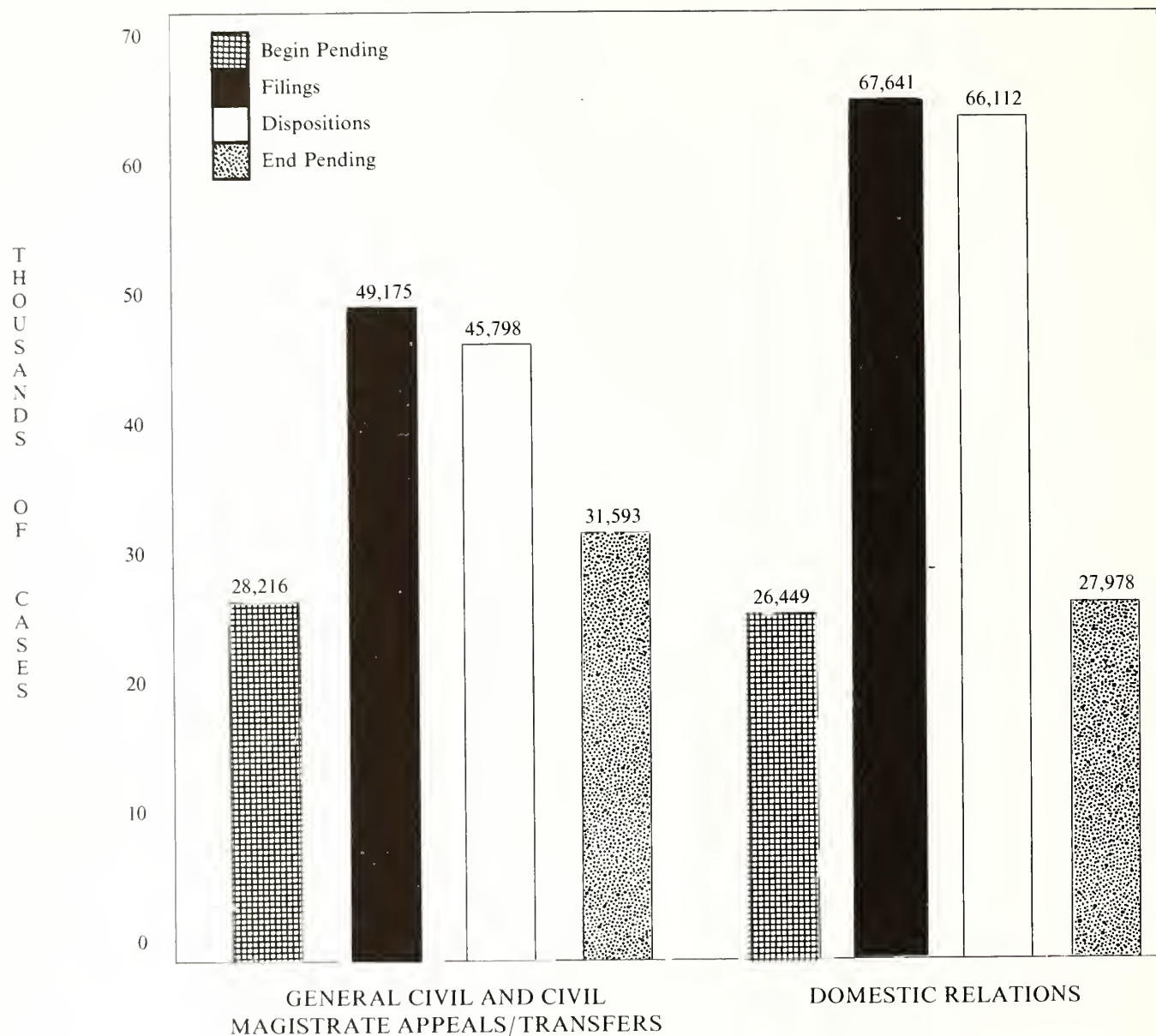
1977 — 1986-87



Civil magistrate filings increased by 9.4% during 1986-87, after a 10.8% increase the year before.

CIVIL (NON-MAGISTRATE) CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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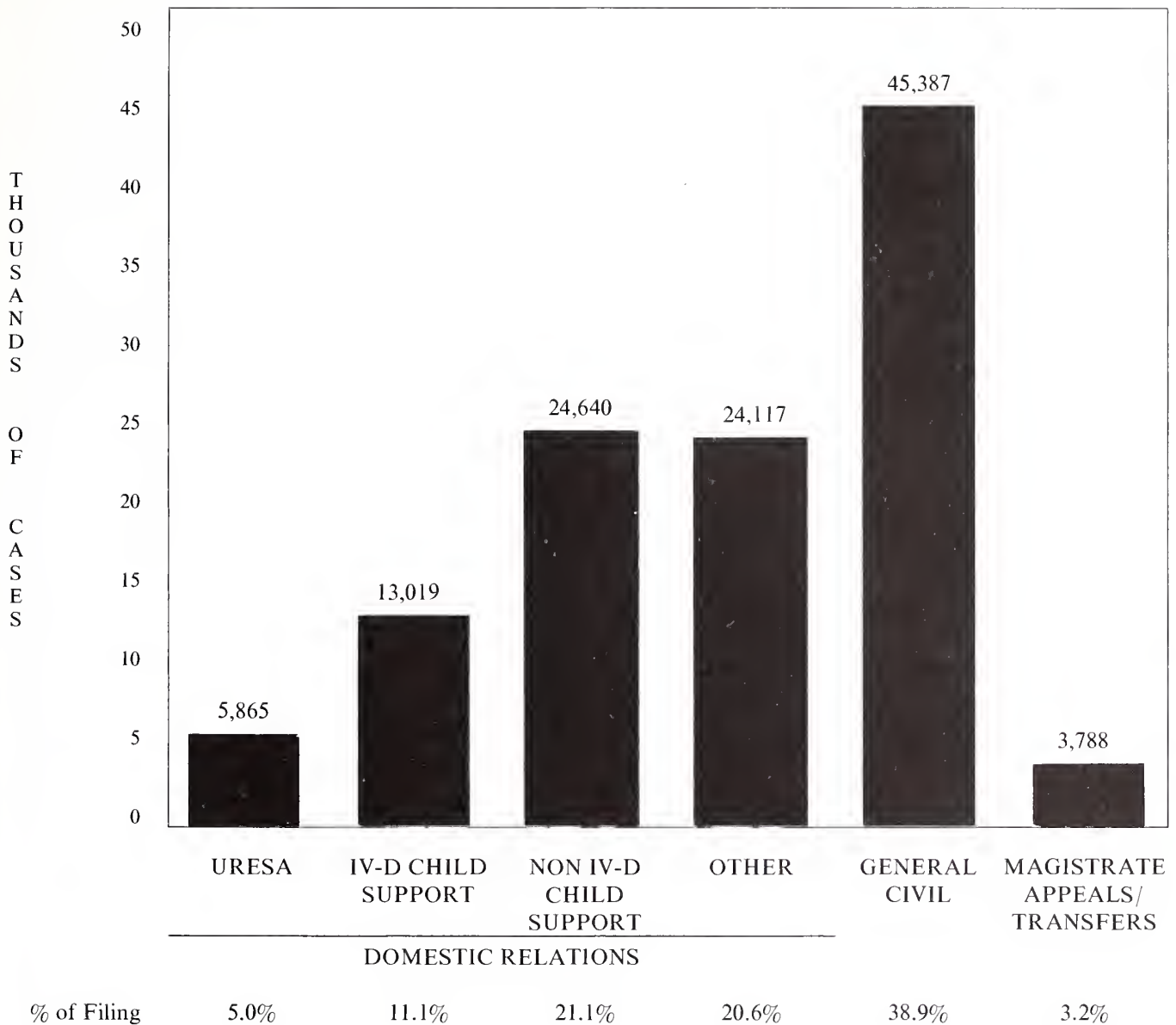


Filings and dispositions of domestic relations cases grew less than 1% each during 1986-87; the average age at disposition dropped from 146.6 days in 1985-86 to 133.1

days in 1986-87. General civil filings grew by 2.9% and dispositions by 1.5% over last year.

FILINGS OF CIVIL (NON—MAGISTRATE) CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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“URESА” stands for the Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, and refers to actions enforcing child support orders entered by judges in one state by the courts in another. “IV-D Child Support” refers to actions initiated by counties or the Department of Human

Resources to collect child support owed to social services clients. “Non IV-D Child Support” actions are initiated by custodial parents themselves. The “Other” category includes civil actions such as annulment, divorce, equitable distribution of property, and alimony.

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL (NON-MAGISTRATE) CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Domestic Relations Cases						General Civil and Magistrate Appeals/Transfers					
	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filings	Total	Disposed	%Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filings	Total	Disposed	%Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 1</u>												
Camden	17	29	46	35	76.1%	11	8	14	22	9	40.9%	13
Chowan	37	189	226	165	73.0%	61	71	81	152	95	62.5%	57
Currituck	32	82	114	72	63.2%	42	58	69	127	66	52.0%	61
Dare	87	175	262	175	66.8%	87	125	159	284	162	57.0%	122
Gates	16	67	83	62	74.7%	21	12	21	33	22	66.7%	11
Pasquotank	98	342	440	311	70.7%	129	101	156	257	159	61.9%	98
Perquimans	50	86	136	84	61.8%	52	49	22	71	37	52.1%	34
District Totals	337	970	1,307	904	69.2%	403	424	522	946	550	58.1%	396
<u>District 2</u>												
Beaufort	140	414	554	404	72.9%	150	113	166	279	148	53.0%	131
Hyde	19	47	66	51	77.3%	15	26	24	50	29	58.0%	21
Martin	106	251	357	264	73.9%	93	39	56	95	62	65.3%	33
Tyrrell	10	29	39	30	76.9%	9	19	11	30	14	46.7%	16
Washington	34	113	147	106	72.1%	41	29	57	86	67	77.9%	19
District Totals	309	854	1,163	855	73.5%	308	226	314	540	320	59.3%	220
<u>District 3</u>												
Carteret	170	550	720	554	76.9%	166	112	262	374	228	61.0%	146
Craven	363	907	1,270	903	71.1%	367	296	723	1,019	767	75.3%	252
Pamlico	32	73	105	76	72.4%	29	21	29	50	38	76.0%	12
Pitt	228	784	1,012	747	73.8%	265	269	725	994	693	69.7%	301
District Totals	793	2,314	3,107	2,280	73.4%	827	698	1,739	2,437	1,726	70.8%	711
<u>District 4</u>												
Duplin	157	399	556	408	73.4%	148	100	141	241	148	61.4%	93
Jones	39	34	73	49	67.1%	24	40	67	107	54	50.5%	53
Onslow	1,237	1,826	3,063	2,134	69.7%	929	684	686	1,370	674	49.2%	696
Sampson	200	576	776	623	80.3%	153	103	362	465	338	72.7%	127
District Totals	1,633	2,835	4,468	3,214	71.9%	1,254	927	1,256	2,183	1,214	55.6%	969
<u>District 5</u>												
New Hanover	611	1,546	2,157	1,603	74.3%	554	1,125	1,611	2,736	1,814	66.3%	922
Pender	111	278	389	283	72.8%	106	84	173	257	172	66.9%	85
District Totals	722	1,824	2,546	1,886	74.1%	660	1,209	1,784	2,993	1,986	66.4%	1,007
<u>District 6</u>												
Bertie	89	272	361	276	76.5%	85	35	73	108	62	57.4%	46
Halifax	195	730	925	756	81.7%	169	74	186	260	183	70.4%	77
Hertford	111	344	455	365	80.2%	90	115	164	279	206	73.8%	73
Northampton	56	182	238	184	77.3%	54	16	54	70	44	62.9%	26
District Totals	451	1,528	1,979	1,581	79.9%	398	240	477	717	495	69.0%	222
<u>District 7</u>												
Edgecombe	173	637	810	591	73.0%	219	145	231	376	272	72.3%	104
Nash	220	713	933	708	75.9%	225	235	497	732	493	67.3%	239
Wilson	233	627	860	640	74.4%	220	188	368	556	410	73.7%	146
District Totals	626	1,977	2,603	1,939	74.5%	664	568	1,096	1,664	1,175	70.6%	489
<u>District 8</u>												
Greene	38	140	178	147	82.6%	31	11	30	41	25	61.0%	16
Lenoir	326	627	953	708	74.3%	245	288	451	739	518	70.1%	221
Wayne	408	1,518	1,926	1,397	72.5%	529	504	731	1,235	778	63.0%	457
District Totals	772	2,285	3,057	2,252	73.7%	805	803	1,212	2,015	1,321	65.6%	694

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<u>District 9</u>												
Franklin	109	295	404	297	73.5%	107	61	102	163	85	52.1%	78
Granville	113	313	426	328	77.0%	98	70	94	164	124	75.6%	40
Person	68	288	356	284	79.8%	72	68	135	203	114	56.2%	89
Vance	158	465	623	468	75.1%	155	98	187	285	166	58.2%	119
Warren	81	191	272	210	77.2%	62	35	69	104	68	65.4%	36
District Totals	529	1,552	2,081	1,587	76.3%	494	332	587	919	557	60.6%	362
<u>District 10</u>												
Wake	2,477	3,688	6,165	3,174	51.5%	2,991	2,847	6,251	9,098	4,996	54.9%	4,102
<u>District 11</u>												
Harnett	198	648	846	615	72.7%	231	141	464	605	402	66.4%	203
Johnston	268	895	1,163	850	73.1%	313	242	601	843	533	63.2%	310
Lee	123	577	700	566	80.9%	134	159	363	522	370	70.9%	152
District Totals	589	2,120	2,709	2,031	75.0%	678	542	1,428	1,970	1,305	66.2%	665
<u>District 12</u>												
Cumberland	2,360	4,552	6,912	4,372	63.3%	2,540	822	1,316	2,138	1,258	58.8%	880
Hoke	85	232	317	210	66.2%	107	62	96	158	110	69.6%	48
District Totals	2,445	4,784	7,229	4,582	63.4%	2,647	884	1,412	2,296	1,368	59.6%	928
<u>District 13</u>												
Bladen	43	316	359	296	82.5%	63	138	259	397	259	65.2%	138
Brunswick	202	521	723	432	59.8%	291	519	510	1,029	450	43.7%	579
Columbus	297	572	869	519	59.7%	350	367	350	717	272	37.9%	445
District Totals	542	1,409	1,951	1,247	63.9%	704	1,024	1,119	2,143	981	45.8%	1,162
<u>District 14</u>												
Durham	988	1,768	2,756	1,797	65.2%	959	1,365	1,488	2,853	1,534	53.8%	1,319
<u>District 15A</u>												
Alamance	256	1,129	1,385	1,073	77.5%	312	265	545	810	495	61.1%	315
<u>District 15B</u>												
Chatham	117	249	366	283	77.3%	83	50	84	134	81	60.4%	53
Orange	216	580	796	456	57.3%	340	280	506	786	380	48.3%	406
District Totals	333	829	1,162	739	63.6%	423	330	590	920	461	50.1%	459
<u>District 16</u>												
Robeson	306	1,196	1,502	1,255	83.6%	247	437	792	1,229	757	61.6%	472
Scotland	107	361	468	328	70.1%	140	93	169	262	167	63.7%	95
District Totals	413	1,557	1,970	1,583	80.4%	387	530	961	1,491	924	62.0%	567
<u>District 17A</u>												
Caswell	53	155	208	155	74.5%	53	36	52	88	63	71.6%	25
Rockingham	260	795	1,055	875	82.9%	180	167	362	529	425	80.3%	104
District Totals	313	950	1,263	1,030	81.6%	233	203	414	617	488	79.1%	129
<u>District 17B</u>												
Stokes	69	145	214	176	82.2%	38	33	151	184	108	58.7%	76
Surry	190	558	748	565	75.5%	183	179	301	480	341	71.0%	139
District Totals	259	703	962	741	77.0%	221	212	452	664	449	67.6%	215

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<u>District 18</u>												
Guilford	1,597	3,957	5,554	3,609	65.0%	1,945	2,575	3,983	6,558	3,272	49.9%	3,286
<u>District 19A</u>												
Cabarrus	301	954	1,255	1,035	82.5%	220	377	581	958	609	63.6%	349
Rowan	251	900	1,151	912	79.2%	239	415	602	1,017	711	69.9%	306
District Totals	552	1,854	2,406	1,947	80.9%	459	792	1,183	1,975	1,320	66.8%	655
<u>District 19B</u>												
Montgomery	83	213	296	206	69.6%	90	100	305	405	230	56.8%	175
Randolph	251	731	982	734	74.7%	248	112	357	469	332	70.8%	137
District Totals	334	944	1,278	940	73.6%	338	212	662	874	562	64.3%	312
<u>District 20</u>												
Anson	86	264	350	255	72.9%	95	86	97	183	100	54.6%	83
Moore	277	621	898	547	60.9%	351	431	303	734	243	33.1%	491
Richmond	176	492	668	527	78.9%	141	224	185	409	293	71.6%	116
Stanly	180	368	548	342	62.4%	206	281	237	518	197	38.0%	321
Union	326	616	942	678	72.0%	264	375	374	749	345	46.1%	404
District Totals	1,045	2,361	3,406	2,349	69.0%	1,057	1,397	1,196	2,593	1,178	45.4%	1,415
<u>District 21</u>												
Forsyth	1,223	2,677	3,900	2,493	63.9%	1,407	1,791	2,742	4,533	2,564	56.6%	1,969
<u>District 22</u>												
Alexander	59	209	268	226	84.3%	42	41	101	142	107	75.4%	35
Davidson	365	990	1,355	908	67.0%	447	246	553	799	478	59.8%	321
Davie	71	230	301	230	76.4%	71	78	117	195	134	68.7%	61
Iredell	250	833	1,083	794	73.3%	289	321	707	1,028	724	70.4%	304
District Totals	745	2,262	3,007	2,158	71.8%	849	686	1,478	2,164	1,443	66.7%	721
<u>District 23</u>												
Alleghany	20	78	98	81	82.7%	17	37	62	99	73	73.7%	26
Ashe	46	174	220	160	72.7%	60	42	87	129	77	59.7%	52
Wilkes	128	528	656	524	79.9%	132	218	710	928	605	65.2%	323
Yadkin	74	188	262	192	73.3%	70	69	156	225	138	61.3%	87
District Totals	268	968	1,236	957	77.4%	279	366	1,015	1,381	893	64.7%	488
<u>District 24</u>												
Avery	84	105	189	121	64.0%	68	86	156	242	127	52.5%	115
Madison	26	100	126	90	71.4%	36	65	50	115	88	76.5%	27
Mitchell	33	113	146	100	68.5%	46	96	77	173	75	43.4%	98
Watauga	111	252	363	250	68.9%	113	213	313	526	394	74.9%	132
Yancey	34	126	160	113	70.6%	47	15	35	50	31	62.0%	19
District Totals	288	696	984	674	68.5%	310	475	631	1,106	715	64.6%	391
<u>District 25</u>												
Burke	334	753	1,087	878	80.8%	209	212	407	619	459	74.2%	160
Caldwell	234	655	889	690	77.6%	199	149	406	555	395	71.2%	160
Catawba	523	1,310	1,833	1,357	74.0%	476	409	727	1,136	766	67.4%	370
District Totals	1,091	2,718	3,809	2,925	76.8%	884	770	1,540	2,310	1,620	70.1%	690
<u>District 26</u>												
Mecklenburg	1,447	5,288	6,735	4,873	72.4%	1,862	3,321	7,258	10,579	5,884	55.6%	4,695

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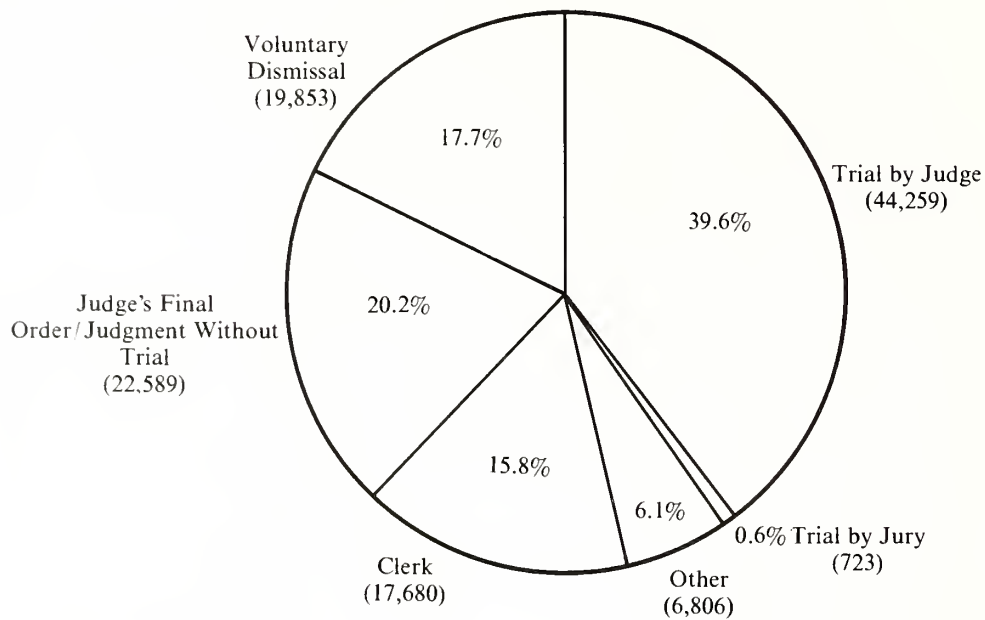
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	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filings	Total	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filings	Total	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 27A</u>												
Gaston	640	2,353	2,993	2,266	75.7%	727	362	615	977	659	67.5%	318
<u>District 27B</u>												
Cleveland	217	1,000	1,217	1,013	83.2%	204	78	282	360	275	76.4%	85
Lincoln	88	450	538	443	82.3%	95	51	167	218	155	71.1%	63
District Totals	305	1,450	1,755	1,456	83.0%	299	129	449	578	430	74.4%	148
<u>District 28</u>												
Buncombe	724	2,136	2,860	1,954	68.3%	906	671	1,462	2,133	1,394	65.4%	739
<u>District 29</u>												
Henderson	285	556	841	587	69.8%	254	281	242	523	314	60.0%	209
McDowell	114	354	468	335	71.6%	133	75	141	216	151	69.9%	65
Polk	26	55	81	52	64.2%	29	25	45	70	41	58.6%	29
Rutherford	240	488	728	570	78.3%	158	99	135	234	160	68.4%	74
Transylvania	171	246	417	289	69.3%	128	237	214	451	311	69.0%	140
District Totals	836	1,699	2,535	1,833	72.3%	702	717	777	1,494	977	65.4%	517
<u>District 30</u>												
Cherokee	60	169	229	152	66.4%	77	21	57	78	58	74.4%	20
Clay	17	37	54	36	66.7%	18	21	24	45	36	80.0%	9
Graham	32	75	107	68	63.6%	39	18	17	35	19	54.3%	16
Haywood	232	464	696	464	66.7%	232	89	202	291	157	54.0%	134
Jackson	83	198	281	183	65.1%	98	80	123	203	151	74.4%	52
Macon	90	169	259	183	70.7%	76	58	81	139	83	59.7%	56
Swain	53	90	143	97	67.8%	46	36	33	69	38	55.1%	31
District Totals	567	1,202	1,769	1,183	66.9%	586	323	537	860	542	63.0%	318
State Totals	26,449	67,641	94,090	66,112	70.3%	27,978	28,216	49,175	77,391	45,798	59.2%	31,593

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Most civil cases in the district courts are disposed of by judges, either before trial or with a bench (non-jury) trial. The "other" category includes actions such as removal to

federal court or an order from another state closing a Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Case.

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		Trial by Jury	Trial by Judge	Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Disposed
<u>District 1</u>								
Camden	Gen	1	0	2	0	5	1	9
	Dom	0	9	4	20	0	2	35
Chowan	Gen	2	17	25	9	37	5	95
	Dom	0	54	12	93	1	5	165
Currituck	Gen	0	17	19	9	9	12	66
	Dom	0	47	13	7	1	4	72
Dare	Gen	1	12	57	33	56	3	162
	Dom	0	19	24	108	2	22	175
Gates	Gen	1	0	5	1	13	2	22
	Dom	3	22	7	25	0	5	62
Pasquotank	Gen	1	21	53	12	62	10	159
	Dom	0	204	41	59	1	6	311
Perquimans	Gen	1	2	9	5	15	5	37
	Dom	5	51	7	19	0	2	84
Dist Totals	Gen	7	69	170	69	197	38	550
% of Total		1.3%	12.5%	30.9%	12.5%	35.8%	6.9%	100.0%
	Dom	8	406	108	331	5	46	904
% of Total		0.9%	44.9%	11.9%	36.6%	0.6%	5.1%	100.0%
<u>District 2</u>								
Beaufort	Gen	4	24	42	22	52	4	148
	Dom	0	228	21	96	39	20	404
Hyde	Gen	1	4	9	6	7	2	29
	Dom	1	1	2	42	0	5	51
Martin	Gen	3	1	13	25	16	4	62
	Dom	0	20	17	201	0	26	264
Tyrrell	Gen	0	3	4	1	6	0	14
	Dom	0	2	2	25	1	0	30
Washington	Gen	0	9	11	8	36	3	67
	Dom	0	54	9	40	0	3	106
Dist Totals	Gen	8	41	79	62	117	13	320
% of Total		2.5%	12.8%	24.7%	19.4%	36.6%	4.1%	100.0%
	Dom	1	305	51	404	40	54	855
% of Total		0.1%	35.7%	6.0%	47.3%	4.7%	6.3%	100.0%
<u>District 3</u>								
Carteret	Gen	0	73	80	17	50	8	228
	Dom	0	443	32	17	5	57	554
Craven	Gen	8	39	200	117	315	88	767
	Dom	12	553	33	123	5	177	903
Pamlico	Gen	2	2	13	8	5	8	38
	Dom	0	27	5	26	1	17	76
Pitt	Gen	1	26	247	379	2	38	693
	Dom	25	548	27	62	0	85	747
Dist Totals	Gen	11	140	540	521	372	142	1,726
% of Total		0.6%	8.1%	31.3%	30.2%	21.6%	8.2%	100.0%
	Dom	37	1,571	97	228	11	336	2,280
% of Total		1.6%	68.9%	4.3%	10.0%	0.5%	14.7%	100.0%
<u>District 4</u>								
Duplin	Gen	2	27	46	21	49	3	148
	Dom	0	79	18	309	0	2	408
Jones	Gen	1	1	3	39	9	1	54
	Dom	0	0	9	30	0	10	49
Onslow	Gen	2	135	203	33	118	183	674
	Dom	17	1,293	139	88	4	593	2,134
Sampson	Gen	2	22	231	6	58	19	338
	Dom	2	255	142	210	1	13	623
Dist Totals	Gen	7	185	483	99	234	206	1,214
% of Total		0.6%	15.2%	39.8%	8.2%	19.3%	17.0%	100.0%
	Dom	19	1,627	308	637	5	618	3,214
% of Total		0.6%	50.6%	9.6%	19.8%	0.2%	19.2%	100.0%

*Cases covered in this table are general civil and appeals/transfers from magistrates to judges, all identified as (GEN), and Domestic Relations (DOM) cases.

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<u>District 5</u>								
New Hanover	Gen	19	231	484	165	572	343	1,814
	Dom	3	851	104	434	10	201	1,603
Pender	Gen	5	17	72	15	51	12	172
	Dom	2	89	26	143	2	21	283
Dist Totals	Gen	24	248	556	180	623	355	1,986
% of Total		1.2%	12.5%	28.0%	9.1%	31.4%	17.9%	100.0%
	Dom	5	940	130	577	12	222	1,886
% of Total		0.3%	49.8%	6.9%	30.6%	0.6%	11.8%	100.0%
<u>District 6</u>								
Bertie	Gen	2	9	17	8	23	3	62
	Dom	0	100	12	153	3	8	276
Halifax	Gen	1	45	45	40	52	0	183
	Dom	2	276	20	434	2	22	756
Hertford	Gen	1	24	43	62	75	1	206
	Dom	0	136	20	191	7	11	365
Northampton	Gen	1	8	13	1	20	1	44
	Dom	0	159	10	4	0	11	184
Dist Totals	Gen	5	86	118	111	170	5	495
% of Total		1.0%	17.4%	23.8%	22.4%	34.3%	1.0%	100.0%
	Dom	2	671	62	782	12	52	1,581
% of Total		0.1%	42.4%	3.9%	49.5%	0.8%	3.3%	100.0%
<u>District 7</u>								
Edgecombe	Gen	3	25	84	39	92	29	272
	Dom	0	270	40	246	1	34	591
Nash	Gen	3	49	138	52	227	24	493
	Dom	0	498	38	128	7	37	708
Wilson	Gen	4	49	114	69	158	16	410
	Dom	1	424	33	156	5	21	640
Dist Totals	Gen	10	123	336	160	477	69	1,175
% of Total		0.9%	10.5%	28.6%	13.6%	40.6%	5.9%	100.0%
	Dom	1	1,192	111	530	13	92	1,939
% of Total		0.1%	61.5%	5.7%	27.3%	0.7%	4.7%	100.0%
<u>District 8</u>								
Greene	Gen	0	0	6	17	0	2	25
	Dom	0	0	7	129	0	11	147
Lenoir	Gen	5	68	164	93	185	3	518
	Dom	0	463	82	159	4	0	708
Wayne	Gen	18	85	301	75	251	48	778
	Dom	15	797	150	383	18	34	1,397
Dist Totals	Gen	23	153	471	185	436	53	1,321
% of Total		1.7%	11.6%	35.7%	14.0%	33.0%	4.0%	100.0%
	Dom	15	1,260	239	671	22	45	2,252
% of Total		0.7%	56.0%	10.6%	29.8%	1.0%	2.0%	100.0%
<u>District 9</u>								
Franklin	Gen	0	1	39	25	19	1	85
	Dom	0	2	53	240	1	1	297
Granville	Gen	3	33	43	14	18	13	124
	Dom	6	156	31	41	62	32	328
Person	Gen	4	31	35	0	37	7	114
	Dom	1	251	21	4	2	5	284
Vance	Gen	3	30	43	12	56	22	166
	Dom	1	264	21	135	2	45	468
Warren	Gen	4	10	16	17	21	0	68
	Dom	9	79	12	101	1	8	210
Dist Totals	Gen	14	105	176	68	151	43	557
% of Total		2.5%	18.9%	31.6%	12.2%	27.1%	7.7%	100.0%
	Dom	17	752	138	521	68	91	1,587
% of Total		1.1%	47.4%	8.7%	32.8%	4.3%	5.7%	100.0%

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<u>District 10</u>								
Wake	Gen	22	427	1,283	582	2,326	356	4,996
% of Total		0.4%	8.5%	25.7%	11.6%	46.6%	7.1%	100.0%
	Dom	3	1,889	251	881	19	131	3,174
% of Total		0.1%	59.5%	7.9%	27.8%	0.6%	4.1%	100.0%
<u>District 11</u>								
Harnett	Gen	6	54	198	56	86	2	402
	Dom	1	271	49	278	7	9	615
Johnston	Gen	6	1	152	162	208	4	533
	Dom	3	198	99	541	2	7	850
Lee	Gen	8	54	145	48	112	3	370
	Dom	0	318	55	192	1	0	566
Dist Totals	Gen	20	109	495	266	406	9	1,305
% of Total		1.5%	8.4%	37.9%	20.4%	31.1%	0.7%	100.0%
	Dom	4	787	203	1,011	10	16	2,031
% of Total		0.2%	38.7%	10.0%	49.8%	0.5%	0.8%	100.0%
<u>District 12</u>								
Cumberland	Gen	5	239	409	50	383	172	1,258
	Dom	14	2,523	348	933	5	549	4,372
Hoke	Gen	0	24	47	6	33	0	110
	Dom	0	82	18	108	2	0	210
Dist Totals	Gen	5	263	456	56	416	172	1,368
% of Total		0.4%	19.2%	33.3%	4.1%	30.4%	12.6%	100.0%
	Dom	14	2,605	366	1,041	7	549	4,582
% of Total		0.3%	56.9%	8.0%	22.7%	0.2%	12.0%	100.0%
<u>District 13</u>								
Bladen	Gen	4	55	87	24	87	2	259
	Dom	0	126	17	150	1	2	296
Brunswick	Gen	3	86	238	25	93	5	450
	Dom	0	211	23	198	0	0	432
Columbus	Gen	14	48	92	29	85	4	272
	Dom	4	347	47	106	0	15	519
Dist Totals	Gen	21	189	417	78	265	11	981
% of Total		2.1%	19.3%	42.5%	8.0%	27.0%	1.1%	100.0%
	Dom	4	684	87	454	1	17	1,247
% of Total		0.3%	54.9%	7.0%	36.4%	0.1%	1.4%	100.0%
<u>District 14</u>								
Durham	Gen	5	216	445	58	655	155	1,534
% of Total		0.3%	14.1%	29.0%	3.8%	42.7%	10.1%	100.0%
	Dom	1	1,006	154	487	7	142	1,797
% of Total		0.1%	56.0%	8.6%	27.1%	0.4%	7.9%	100.0%
<u>District 15A</u>								
Alamance	Gen	7	66	178	59	161	24	495
% of Total		1.4%	13.3%	36.0%	11.9%	32.5%	4.8%	100.0%
	Dom	2	669	105	260	6	31	1,073
% of Total		0.2%	62.3%	9.8%	24.2%	0.6%	2.9%	100.0%
<u>District 15B</u>								
Chatham	Gen	2	6	39	3	21	10	81
	Dom	1	122	30	91	6	33	283
Orange	Gen	0	69	152	25	126	8	380
	Dom	0	332	19	64	22	19	456
Dist Totals	Gen	2	75	191	28	147	18	461
% of Total		0.4%	16.3%	41.4%	6.1%	31.9%	3.9%	100.0%
	Dom	1	454	49	155	28	52	739
% of Total		0.1%	61.4%	6.6%	21.0%	3.8%	7.0%	100.0%

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<u>District 16</u>								
Robeson	Gen	7	183	346	11	203	7	757
	Dom	0	629	83	417	10	116	1,255
Scotland	Gen	1	23	61	16	57	9	167
	Dom	0	161	17	119	1	30	328
Dist Totals	Gen	8	206	407	27	260	16	924
% of Total		0.9%	22.3%	44.0%	2.9%	28.1%	1.7%	100.0%
	Dom	0	790	100	536	11	146	1,583
% of Total		0.0%	49.9%	6.3%	33.9%	0.7%	9.2%	100.0%
<u>District 17A</u>								
Caswell	Gen	0	0	11	41	7	4	63
	Dom	0	0	7	134	0	14	155
Rockingham	Gen	0	36	116	24	230	19	425
	Dom	2	475	96	224	2	76	875
Dist Totals	Gen	0	36	127	65	237	23	488
% of Total		0.0%	7.4%	26.0%	13.3%	48.6%	4.7%	100.0%
	Dom	2	475	103	358	2	90	1,030
% of Total		0.2%	46.1%	10.0%	34.8%	0.2%	8.7%	100.0%
<u>District 17B</u>								
Stokes	Gen	6	12	27	43	11	9	108
	Dom	17	38	23	59	1	38	176
Surry	Gen	5	39	93	56	144	4	341
	Dom	3	283	36	235	3	5	565
Dist Totals	Gen	11	51	120	99	155	13	449
% of Total		2.4%	11.4%	26.7%	22.0%	34.5%	2.9%	100.0%
	Dom	20	321	59	294	4	43	741
% of Total		2.7%	43.3%	8.0%	39.7%	0.5%	5.8%	100.0%
<u>District 18</u>								
Guilford	Gen	30	340	1,017	319	1,471	95	3,272
	Dom	15	3,129	134	240	38	53	3,609
% of Total		0.4%	86.7%	3.7%	6.7%	1.1%	1.5%	100.0%
<u>District 19A</u>								
Cabarrus	Gen	6	76	243	72	204	8	609
	Dom	0	602	111	316	4	2	1,035
Rowan	Gen	4	132	237	44	292	2	711
	Dom	1	658	95	150	3	5	912
Dist Totals	Gen	10	208	480	116	496	10	1,320
% of Total		0.8%	15.8%	36.4%	8.8%	37.6%	0.8%	100.0%
	Dom	1	1,260	206	466	7	7	1,947
% of Total		0.1%	64.7%	10.6%	23.9%	0.4%	0.4%	100.0%
<u>District 19B</u>								
Montgomery	Gen	0	18	113	12	87	0	230
	Dom	1	174	14	11	0	6	206
Randolph	Gen	6	43	73	14	183	13	332
	Dom	4	347	61	219	6	97	734
Dist Totals	Gen	6	61	186	26	270	13	562
% of Total		1.1%	10.9%	33.1%	4.6%	48.0%	2.3%	100.0%
	Dom	5	521	75	230	6	103	940
% of Total		0.5%	55.4%	8.0%	24.5%	0.6%	11.0%	100.0%

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<u>District 20</u>								
Anson	Gen	4	12	49	15	19	1	100
	Dom	1	123	26	95	6	4	255
Moore	Gen	6	69	84	25	55	4	243
	Dom	1	367	58	115	1	5	547
Richmond	Gen	1	47	161	6	61	17	293
	Dom	0	407	44	12	25	39	527
Stanly	Gen	2	25	53	116	1	0	197
	Dom	1	211	17	110	0	3	342
Union	Gen	21	44	103	64	97	16	345
	Dom	4	416	29	172	3	54	678
Dist Totals	Gen	34	197	450	226	233	38	1,178
% of Total		2.9%	16.7%	38.2%	19.2%	19.8%	3.2%	100.0%
	Dom	7	1,524	174	504	35	105	2,349
% of Total		0.3%	64.9%	7.4%	21.5%	1.5%	4.5%	100.0%
<u>District 21</u>								
Forsyth	Gen	13	125	870	324	1,190	42	2,564
	% of Total	0.5%	4.9%	33.9%	12.6%	46.4%	1.6%	100.0%
	Dom	2	1,717	215	493	21	45	2,493
% of Total		0.1%	68.9%	8.6%	19.8%	0.8%	1.8%	100.0%
<u>District 22</u>								
Alexander	Gen	5	6	38	10	40	8	107
	Dom	2	117	16	67	1	23	226
Davidson	Gen	7	59	169	34	184	25	478
	Dom	3	516	58	288	11	32	908
Davie	Gen	3	49	43	4	27	8	134
	Dom	0	160	51	10	0	9	230
Iredell	Gen	4	61	205	50	388	16	724
	Dom	0	408	66	224	11	85	794
Dist Totals	Gen	19	175	455	98	639	57	1,443
% of Total		1.3%	12.1%	31.5%	6.8%	44.3%	4.0%	100.0%
	Dom	5	1,201	191	589	23	149	2,158
% of Total		0.2%	55.7%	8.9%	27.3%	1.1%	6.9%	100.0%
<u>District 23</u>								
Alleghany	Gen	1	16	31	7	16	2	73
	Dom	3	49	9	15	3	2	81
Ashe	Gen	4	23	26	4	15	5	77
	Dom	0	131	14	11	3	1	160
Wilkes	Gen	7	20	163	135	275	5	605
	Dom	0	139	49	326	8	2	524
Yadkin	Gen	2	11	48	30	43	4	138
	Dom	2	95	23	63	0	9	192
Dist Totals	Gen	14	70	268	176	349	16	893
% of Total		1.6%	7.8%	30.0%	19.7%	39.1%	1.8%	100.0%
	Dom	5	414	95	415	14	14	957
% of Total		0.5%	43.3%	9.9%	43.4%	1.5%	1.5%	100.0%
<u>District 24</u>								
Avery	Gen	2	9	59	14	42	1	127
	Dom	0	54	19	40	1	7	121
Madison	Gen	2	26	11	23	4	22	88
	Dom	2	33	10	28	0	17	90
Mitchell	Gen	2	9	29	32	0	3	75
	Dom	0	29	22	47	0	2	100
Watauga	Gen	1	49	187	54	72	31	394
	Dom	0	138	32	66	0	14	250
Yancey	Gen	0	4	10	6	8	3	31
	Dom	0	61	14	33	1	4	113
Dist Totals	Gen	7	97	296	129	126	60	715
% of Total		1.0%	13.6%	41.4%	18.0%	17.6%	8.4%	100.0%
	Dom	2	315	97	214	2	44	674
% of Total		0.3%	46.7%	14.4%	31.8%	0.3%	6.5%	100.0%

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<u>District 25</u>								
Burke	Gen	9	63	187	21	85	94	459
	Dom	1	507	101	195	1	73	878
Caldwell	Gen	9	18	118	81	146	23	395
	Dom	1	339	52	211	6	81	690
Catawba	Gen	11	57	216	114	326	42	766
	Dom	2	681	128	535	0	11	1,357
Dist Totals	Gen	29	138	521	216	557	159	1,620
% of Total		1.8%	8.5%	32.2%	13.3%	34.4%	9.8%	100.0%
	Dom	4	1,527	281	941	7	165	2,925
% of Total		0.1%	52.2%	9.6%	32.2%	0.2%	5.6%	100.0%
<u>District 26</u>								
Mecklenburg	Gen	43	665	1,855	601	2,701	19	5,884
% of Total		0.7%	11.3%	31.5%	10.2%	45.9%	0.3%	100.0%
	Dom	2	3,795	253	761	32	30	4,873
% of Total		.0%	77.9%	5.2%	15.6%	0.7%	0.6%	100.0%
<u>District 27A</u>								
Gaston	Gen	24	131	230	60	169	45	659
% of Total		3.6%	19.9%	34.9%	9.1%	25.6%	6.8%	100.0%
	Dom	1	1,576	133	195	4	357	2,266
% of Total		.0%	69.5%	5.9%	8.6%	0.2%	15.8%	100.0%
<u>District 27B</u>								
Cleveland	Gen	6	35	65	37	84	48	275
	Dom	2	469	67	372	9	94	1,013
Lincoln	Gen	2	30	39	31	50	3	155
	Dom	1	248	35	149	3	7	443
Dist Totals	Gen	8	65	104	68	134	51	430
% of Total		1.9%	15.1%	24.2%	15.8%	31.2%	11.9%	100.0%
	Dom	3	717	102	521	12	101	1,456
% of Total		0.2%	49.2%	7.0%	35.8%	0.8%	6.9%	100.0%
<u>District 28</u>								
Buncombe	Gen	27	146	368	200	550	103	1,394
% of Total		1.9%	10.5%	26.4%	14.3%	39.5%	7.4%	100.0%
	Dom	2	1,075	179	548	37	113	1,954
% of Total		0.1%	55.0%	9.2%	28.0%	1.9%	5.8%	100.0%
<u>District 29</u>								
Henderson	Gen	7	43	104	36	79	45	314
	Dom	2	441	53	37	2	52	587
McDowell	Gen	1	9	37	29	57	18	151
	Dom	0	8	52	263	5	7	335
Polk	Gen	0	0	9	24	6	2	41
	Dom	0	0	4	40	0	8	52
Rutherford	Gen	3	50	42	12	44	9	160
	Dom	1	394	51	80	10	34	570
Transylvania	Gen	2	21	130	31	116	11	311
	Dom	0	125	39	79	2	44	289
Dist Totals	Gen	13	123	322	132	302	85	977
% of Total		1.3%	12.6%	33.0%	13.5%	30.9%	8.7%	100.0%
	Dom	3	968	199	499	19	145	1,833
% of Total		0.2%	52.8%	10.9%	27.2%	1.0%	7.9%	100.0%

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<u>District 30</u>								
Cherokee	Gen	0	6	14	11	25	2	58
	Dom	0	101	16	27	0	8	152
Clay	Gen	0	7	9	16	3	1	36
	Dom	0	0	11	20	4	1	36
Graham	Gen	2	3	5	6	2	1	19
	Dom	3	40	12	9	3	1	68
Haywood	Gen	3	40	57	9	41	7	157
	Dom	8	308	51	73	6	18	464
Jackson	Gen	3	13	71	16	41	7	151
	Dom	0	78	16	77	0	12	183
Macon	Gen	3	14	28	14	15	9	83
	Dom	1	118	15	34	0	15	183
Swain	Gen	0	8	15	7	7	1	38
	Dom	0	51	8	32	1	5	97
Dist Totals	Gen	11	91	199	79	134	28	542
% of Total		2.0%	16.8%	36.7%	14.6%	24.7%	5.2%	100.0%
	Dom	12	696	129	272	14	60	1,183
% of Total		1.0%	58.8%	10.9%	23.0%	1.2%	5.1%	100.0%
State Totals	Gen	498	5,420	14,669	5,543	17,126	2,542	45,798
% of Total		1.1%	11.8%	32.0%	12.1%	37.4%	5.6%	100.0%
	Dom	225	38,839	5,184	17,046	554	4,264	66,112
% of Total		0.3%	58.7%	7.8%	25.8%	0.8%	6.4%	100.0%

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AGES OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1987

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	< 6	%	6-12	%	> 12	%			
<u>District 1</u>									
Camden	9	81.8%	1	9.1%	1	9.1%	11	162.5	106.0
Chowan	40	65.6%	13	21.3%	8	13.1%	61	220.0	81.0
Currituck	30	71.4%	6	14.3%	6	14.3%	42	158.1	94.5
Dare	46	52.9%	18	20.7%	23	26.4%	87	260.4	160.0
Gates	18	85.7%	2	9.5%	1	4.8%	21	104.7	62.0
Pasquotank	96	74.4%	16	12.4%	17	13.2%	129	174.4	102.0
Perquimans	16	30.8%	10	19.2%	26	50.0%	52	523.4	360.0
District Totals	255	63.3%	66	16.4%	82	20.3%	403	239.3	116.0
<u>District 2</u>									
Beaufort	81	54.0%	28	18.7%	41	27.3%	150	279.5	153.0
Hyde	12	80.0%	2	13.3%	1	6.7%	15	145.5	98.0
Martin	26	28.0%	21	22.6%	46	49.5%	93	584.6	365.0
Tyrrell	8	88.9%	1	11.1%	0	0.0%	9	70.0	56.0
Washington	25	61.0%	6	14.6%	10	24.4%	41	238.9	106.0
District Totals	152	49.4%	58	18.8%	98	31.8%	308	353.6	197.5
<u>District 3</u>									
Carteret	114	68.7%	30	18.1%	22	13.3%	166	154.0	104.0
Craven	212	57.8%	94	25.6%	61	16.6%	367	184.6	124.0
Pamlico	21	72.4%	4	13.8%	4	13.8%	29	156.5	131.0
Pitt	183	69.1%	53	20.0%	29	10.9%	265	153.8	88.0
District Totals	530	64.1%	181	21.9%	116	14.0%	827	167.6	110.0
<u>District 4</u>									
Duplin	83	56.1%	35	23.6%	30	20.3%	148	233.7	139.0
Jones	5	20.8%	5	20.8%	14	58.3%	24	655.0	460.5
Onslow	504	54.3%	200	21.5%	225	24.2%	929	250.6	154.0
Sampson	92	60.1%	45	29.4%	16	10.5%	153	183.3	118.0
District Totals	684	54.5%	285	22.7%	285	22.7%	1,254	248.2	153.0
<u>District 5</u>									
New Hanover	345	62.3%	99	17.9%	110	19.9%	554	207.4	119.0
Pender	51	48.1%	28	26.4%	27	25.5%	106	318.3	202.5
District Totals	396	60.0%	127	19.2%	137	20.8%	660	225.2	131.0
<u>District 6</u>									
Bertie	57	67.1%	18	21.2%	10	11.8%	85	161.2	89.0
Halifax	146	86.4%	18	10.7%	5	3.0%	169	95.2	70.0
Hertford	72	80.0%	14	15.6%	4	4.4%	90	111.6	49.0
Northampton	38	70.4%	10	18.5%	6	11.1%	54	162.9	88.5
District Totals	313	78.6%	60	15.1%	25	6.3%	398	122.2	70.0
<u>District 7</u>									
Edgecombe	140	63.9%	37	16.9%	42	19.2%	219	229.6	98.0
Nash	161	71.6%	31	13.8%	33	14.7%	225	168.6	69.0
Wilson	137	62.3%	26	11.8%	57	25.9%	220	379.0	98.0
District Totals	438	66.0%	94	14.2%	132	19.9%	664	258.5	89.5
<u>District 8</u>									
Greene	17	54.8%	9	29.0%	5	16.1%	31	217.3	169.0
Lenoir	155	63.3%	62	25.3%	28	11.4%	245	171.1	106.0
Wayne	327	61.8%	117	22.1%	85	16.1%	529	187.2	106.0
District Totals	499	62.0%	188	23.4%	118	14.7%	805	183.0	109.0

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	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
<u>District 9</u>									
Franklin	64	59.8%	21	19.6%	22	20.6%	107	266.5	89.0
Granville	64	65.3%	21	21.4%	13	13.3%	98	188.2	135.5
Person	49	68.1%	15	20.8%	8	11.1%	72	149.3	78.5
Vance	88	56.8%	41	26.5%	26	16.8%	155	197.3	139.0
Warren	40	64.5%	16	25.8%	6	9.7%	62	158.5	103.5
District Totals	305	61.7%	114	23.1%	75	15.2%	494	198.6	106.0
<u>District 10</u>									
Wake	884	29.6%	506	16.9%	1,601	53.5%	2,991	529.4	406.0
<u>District 11</u>									
Harnett	149	64.5%	48	20.8%	34	14.7%	231	174.0	109.0
Johnston	179	57.2%	77	24.6%	57	18.2%	313	188.2	127.0
Lee	101	75.4%	26	19.4%	7	5.2%	134	122.7	78.0
District Totals	429	63.3%	151	22.3%	98	14.5%	678	170.4	107.5
<u>District 12</u>									
Cumberland	1,248	49.1%	517	20.4%	775	30.5%	2,540	260.6	196.0
Hoke	49	45.8%	15	14.0%	43	40.2%	107	596.2	239.0
District Totals	1,297	49.0%	532	20.1%	818	30.9%	2,647	274.1	196.0
<u>District 13</u>									
Bladen	45	71.4%	7	11.1%	11	17.5%	63	192.4	88.0
Brunswick	115	39.5%	59	20.3%	117	40.2%	291	425.4	272.0
Columbus	122	34.9%	72	20.6%	156	44.6%	350	389.8	315.5
District Totals	282	40.1%	138	19.6%	284	40.3%	704	386.9	285.0
<u>District 14</u>									
Durham	416	43.4%	218	22.7%	325	33.9%	959	338.4	232.0
<u>District 15A</u>									
Alamance	247	79.2%	43	13.8%	22	7.1%	312	113.1	54.0
<u>District 15B</u>									
Chatham	41	49.4%	20	24.1%	22	26.5%	83	258.1	183.0
Orange	142	41.8%	80	23.5%	118	34.7%	340	317.1	221.5
District Totals	183	43.3%	100	23.6%	140	33.1%	423	305.5	216.0
<u>District 16</u>									
Robeson	185	74.9%	33	13.4%	29	11.7%	247	139.4	74.0
Scotland	95	67.9%	27	19.3%	18	12.9%	140	169.1	84.5
District Totals	280	72.4%	60	15.5%	47	12.1%	387	150.2	78.0
<u>District 17A</u>									
Caswell	36	67.9%	8	15.1%	9	17.0%	53	180.7	97.0
Rockingham	124	68.9%	28	15.6%	28	15.6%	180	171.2	77.0
District Totals	160	68.7%	36	15.5%	37	15.9%	233	173.3	81.0
<u>District 17B</u>									
Stokes	25	65.8%	8	21.1%	5	13.2%	38	188.9	112.5
Surry	113	61.7%	30	16.4%	40	21.9%	183	199.8	103.0
District Totals	138	62.4%	38	17.2%	45	20.4%	221	197.9	105.0

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	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
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<u>District 18</u>									
Guilford	811	41.7%	307	15.8%	827	42.5%	1,945	403.2	266.0
<u>District 19A</u>									
Cabarrus	181	82.3%	22	10.0%	17	7.7%	220	114.0	48.5
Rowan	195	81.6%	32	13.4%	12	5.0%	239	111.9	62.0
District Totals	376	81.9%	54	11.8%	29	6.3%	459	122.9	56.0
<u>District 19B</u>									
Montgomery	44	48.9%	18	20.0%	28	31.1%	90	310.3	191.5
Randolph	174	70.2%	33	13.3%	41	16.5%	248	181.3	82.0
District Totals	218	64.5%	51	15.1%	69	20.4%	338	215.6	111.0
<u>District 20</u>									
Anson	54	56.8%	14	14.7%	27	28.4%	95	239.6	145.0
Moore	161	45.9%	64	18.2%	126	35.9%	351	371.1	216.0
Richmond	97	68.8%	17	12.1%	27	19.1%	141	178.5	61.0
Stanly	64	31.1%	20	9.7%	122	59.2%	206	623.7	454.5
Union	139	52.7%	54	20.5%	71	26.9%	264	256.5	165.0
District Totals	515	48.7%	169	16.0%	373	35.3%	1,057	354.2	196.0
<u>District 21</u>									
Forsyth	679	48.3%	172	12.2%	556	39.5%	1,407	382.4	210.0
<u>District 22</u>									
Alexander	27	64.3%	9	21.4%	6	14.3%	42	186.9	72.0
Davidson	232	51.9%	100	22.4%	115	25.7%	447	251.0	167.0
Davie	52	73.2%	10	14.1%	9	12.7%	71	180.6	96.0
Iredell	184	63.7%	58	20.1%	47	16.3%	289	179.5	89.0
District Totals	495	58.3%	177	20.8%	177	20.8%	849	217.6	126.0
<u>District 23</u>									
Alleghany	16	94.1%	0	0.0%	1	5.9%	17	89.1	62.0
Ashe	35	58.3%	13	21.7%	12	20.0%	60	187.8	97.0
Wilkes	93	70.5%	26	19.7%	13	9.8%	132	138.7	68.5
Yadkin	43	61.4%	14	20.0%	13	18.6%	70	226.1	139.0
District Totals	187	67.0%	53	19.0%	39	14.0%	279	168.2	92.0
<u>District 24</u>									
Avery	29	42.6%	15	22.1%	24	35.3%	68	350.2	220.5
Madison	27	75.0%	6	16.7%	3	8.3%	36	225.5	126.0
Mitchell	30	65.2%	5	10.9%	11	23.9%	46	250.8	107.0
Watauga	62	54.9%	25	22.1%	26	23.0%	113	251.2	160.0
Yancey	36	76.6%	3	6.4%	8	17.0%	47	161.1	81.0
District Totals	184	59.4%	54	17.4%	72	23.2%	310	256.2	132.5
<u>District 25</u>									
Burke	132	63.2%	45	21.5%	32	15.3%	209	227.4	112.0
Caldwell	136	68.3%	27	13.6%	36	18.1%	199	188.9	98.0
Catawba	264	55.5%	102	21.4%	110	23.1%	476	214.5	133.0
District Totals	532	60.2%	174	19.7%	178	20.1%	884	211.8	112.5
<u>District 26</u>									
Mecklenburg	1,103	59.2%	329	17.7%	430	23.1%	1,862	211.5	111.0

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	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	< 6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
<u>District 27A</u>									
Gaston	455	62.6%	122	16.8%	150	20.6%	727	180.6	98.0
<u>District 27B</u>									
Cleveland	195	95.6%	8	3.9%	1	0.5%	204	66.5	47.5
Lincoln	91	95.8%	4	4.2%	0	0.0%	95	67.7	47.0
District Totals	286	95.7%	12	4.0%	1	0.3%	299	66.8	47.0
<u>District 28</u>									
Buncombe	547	60.4%	223	24.6%	136	15.0%	906	185.2	119.0
<u>District 29</u>									
Henderson	127	50.0%	53	20.9%	74	29.1%	254	271.0	177.5
McDowell	79	59.4%	37	27.8%	17	12.8%	133	197.4	125.0
Polk	15	51.7%	4	13.8%	10	34.5%	29	324.0	153.0
Rutherford	80	50.6%	26	16.5%	52	32.9%	158	384.9	173.5
Transylvania	50	39.1%	13	10.2%	65	50.8%	128	485.4	396.0
District Totals	351	50.0%	133	18.9%	218	31.1%	702	324.0	179.0
<u>District 30</u>									
Cherokee	35	45.5%	19	24.7%	23	29.9%	77	341.2	204.0
Clay	10	55.6%	2	11.1%	6	33.3%	18	364.8	64.5
Graham	23	59.0%	9	23.1%	7	17.9%	39	189.7	158.0
Haywood	126	54.3%	50	21.6%	56	24.1%	232	258.6	153.0
Jackson	46	46.9%	24	24.5%	28	28.6%	98	290.3	206.5
Macon	39	51.3%	14	18.4%	23	30.3%	76	310.1	172.0
Swain	14	30.4%	11	23.9%	21	45.7%	46	379.3	344.0
District Totals	293	50.0%	129	22.0%	164	28.0%	586	289.6	179.0
State Totals	14,920	53.3%	5,154	18.4%	7,904	28.3%	27,978	286.9	154.0

AGES OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS CASES DISPOSED IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	< 6	%	6-12	%	> 12	%			
<u>District 1</u>									
Camden	26	74.3%	7	20.0%	2	5.7%	35	125.7	76.0
Chowan	142	86.1%	18	10.9%	5	3.0%	165	87.2	42.0
Currituck	55	76.4%	8	11.1%	9	12.5%	72	141.3	68.0
Dare	125	71.4%	24	13.7%	26	14.9%	175	175.8	84.0
Gates	44	71.0%	9	14.5%	9	14.5%	62	199.1	66.0
Pasquotank	251	80.7%	27	8.7%	33	10.6%	311	145.8	66.0
Perquimans	70	83.3%	8	9.5%	6	7.1%	84	128.8	70.0
District Totals	713	78.9%	101	11.2%	90	10.0%	904	141.8	66.0
<u>District 2</u>									
Beaufort	343	84.9%	17	4.2%	44	10.9%	404	115.4	42.0
Hyde	37	72.5%	5	9.8%	9	17.6%	51	196.7	57.0
Martin	231	87.5%	13	4.9%	20	7.6%	264	156.8	33.5
Tyrrell	21	70.0%	5	16.7%	4	13.3%	30	176.0	57.0
Washington	95	89.6%	3	2.8%	8	7.5%	106	82.1	35.0
District Totals	727	85.0%	43	5.0%	85	9.9%	855	131.0	40.0
<u>District 3</u>									
Carteret	452	81.6%	57	10.3%	45	8.1%	554	111.9	62.0
Craven	663	73.4%	148	16.4%	92	10.2%	903	141.2	66.0
Pamlico	49	64.5%	16	21.1%	11	14.5%	76	154.7	68.5
Pitt	607	81.3%	98	13.1%	42	5.6%	747	105.7	55.0
District Totals	1,771	77.7%	319	14.0%	190	8.3%	2,280	122.9	60.5
<u>District 4</u>									
Duplin	318	77.9%	52	12.7%	38	9.3%	408	137.6	54.0
Jones	27	55.1%	4	8.2%	18	36.7%	49	642.5	120.0
Onslow	1,309	61.3%	198	9.3%	627	29.4%	2,134	343.5	97.0
Sampson	493	79.1%	60	9.6%	70	11.2%	623	136.2	49.0
District Totals	2,147	66.8%	314	9.8%	753	23.4%	3,214	281.8	78.0
<u>District 5</u>									
New Hanover	1,213	75.7%	139	8.7%	251	15.7%	1,603	171.9	63.0
Pender	214	75.6%	42	14.8%	27	9.5%	283	130.5	66.0
District Totals	1,427	75.7%	181	9.6%	278	14.7%	1,886	165.7	63.0
<u>District 6</u>									
Bertie	202	73.2%	40	14.5%	34	12.3%	276	131.8	61.5
Halifax	663	87.7%	70	9.3%	23	3.0%	756	80.6	54.0
Hertford	265	72.6%	72	19.7%	28	7.7%	365	122.9	56.0
Northampton	153	83.2%	26	14.1%	5	2.7%	184	89.7	56.0
District Totals	1,283	81.2%	208	13.2%	90	5.7%	1,581	100.4	55.0
<u>District 7</u>									
Edgecombe	502	84.9%	56	9.5%	33	5.6%	591	94.8	47.0
Nash	597	84.3%	63	8.9%	48	6.8%	708	108.2	54.0
Wilson	515	80.5%	64	10.0%	61	9.5%	640	122.2	51.0
District Totals	1,614	83.2%	183	9.4%	142	7.3%	1,939	108.7	51.0
<u>District 8</u>									
Greene	121	82.3%	18	12.2%	8	5.4%	147	88.7	42.0
Lenoir	488	68.9%	109	15.4%	111	15.7%	708	160.7	67.0
Wayne	1,170	83.8%	111	7.9%	116	8.3%	1,397	101.1	50.0
District Totals	1,779	79.0%	238	10.6%	235	10.4%	2,252	119.0	55.0

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	< 6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
<u>District 9</u>									
Franklin	232	78.1%	37	12.5%	28	9.4%	297	126.6	49.0
Granville	242	73.8%	61	18.6%	25	7.6%	328	127.7	59.0
Person	245	86.3%	23	8.1%	16	5.6%	284	83.5	41.0
Vance	371	79.3%	47	10.0%	50	10.7%	468	123.5	43.0
Warren	152	72.4%	29	13.8%	29	13.8%	210	139.0	57.5
District Totals	1,242	78.3%	197	12.4%	148	9.3%	1,587	119.8	48.0
<u>District 10</u>									
Wake	2,644	83.3%	139	4.4%	391	12.3%	3,174	188.9	48.0
<u>District 11</u>									
Harnett	485	78.9%	103	16.7%	27	4.4%	615	100.5	53.0
Johnston	706	83.1%	71	8.4%	73	8.6%	850	107.3	48.0
Lee	477	84.3%	67	11.8%	22	3.9%	566	77.8	41.0
District Totals	1,668	82.1%	241	11.9%	122	6.0%	2,031	97.0	48.0
<u>District 12</u>									
Cumberland	3,198	73.1%	467	10.7%	707	16.2%	4,372	170.8	70.0
Hoke	186	88.6%	10	4.8%	14	6.7%	210	84.5	17.0
District Totals	3,384	73.9%	477	10.4%	721	15.7%	4,582	166.9	68.0
<u>District 13</u>									
Bladen	284	95.9%	8	2.7%	4	1.4%	296	44.4	2.5
Brunswick	393	91.0%	21	4.9%	18	4.2%	432	86.4	51.0
Columbus	444	85.5%	45	8.7%	30	5.8%	519	99.0	50.0
District Totals	1,121	89.9%	74	5.9%	52	4.2%	1,247	81.7	45.0
<u>District 14</u>									
Durham	1,330	74.0%	152	8.5%	315	17.5%	1,797	192.4	63.0
<u>District 15A</u>									
Alamance	981	91.4%	50	4.7%	42	3.9%	1,073	81.8	49.0
<u>District 15B</u>									
Chatham	198	70.0%	20	7.1%	65	23.0%	283	181.3	53.0
Orange	411	90.1%	29	6.4%	16	3.5%	456	89.3	55.0
District Totals	609	82.4%	49	6.6%	81	11.0%	739	124.5	55.0
<u>District 16</u>									
Robeson	1,033	82.3%	100	8.0%	122	9.7%	1,255	101.8	36.0
Scotland	269	82.0%	29	8.8%	30	9.1%	328	109.5	42.0
District Totals	1,302	82.2%	129	8.1%	152	9.6%	1,583	103.4	38.0
<u>District 17A</u>									
Caswell	119	76.8%	25	16.1%	11	7.1%	155	123.5	49.0
Rockingham	681	77.8%	104	11.9%	90	10.3%	875	116.3	48.0
District Totals	800	77.7%	129	12.5%	101	9.8%	1,030	117.4	48.0
<u>District 17B</u>									
Stokes	129	73.3%	25	14.2%	22	12.5%	176	130.8	74.5
Surry	469	83.0%	35	6.2%	61	10.8%	565	124.2	48.0
District Totals	598	80.7%	60	8.1%	83	11.2%	741	125.8	52.0

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<u>District 18</u>									
Guilford	3,231	89.5%	196	5.4%	182	5.0%	3,609	88.5	48.0
<u>District 19A</u>									
Cabarrus	837	80.9%	65	6.3%	133	12.9%	1,035	138.9	47.0
Rowan	772	84.6%	79	8.7%	61	6.7%	912	101.0	50.0
District Totals	1,609	82.6%	144	7.4%	194	10.0%	1,947	121.1	49.0
<u>District 19B</u>									
Montgomery	171	83.0%	18	8.7%	17	8.3%	206	108.9	58.0
Randolph	566	77.1%	89	12.1%	79	10.8%	734	129.9	52.0
District Totals	737	78.4%	107	11.4%	96	10.2%	940	125.3	53.5
<u>District 20</u>									
Anson	215	84.3%	15	5.9%	25	9.8%	255	131.9	42.0
Moore	466	85.2%	43	7.9%	38	6.9%	547	145.3	60.0
Richmond	404	76.7%	39	7.4%	84	15.9%	527	166.4	53.0
Stanly	316	92.4%	15	4.4%	11	3.2%	342	70.0	39.5
Union	465	68.6%	36	5.3%	177	26.1%	678	236.7	60.0
District Totals	1,866	79.4%	148	6.3%	335	14.3%	2,349	164.0	53.0
<u>District 21</u>									
Forsyth	2,167	86.9%	191	7.7%	135	5.4%	2,493	108.7	61.0
<u>District 22</u>									
Alexander	192	85.0%	22	9.7%	12	5.3%	226	94.5	45.5
Davidson	737	81.2%	61	6.7%	110	12.1%	908	128.7	56.0
Davie	176	76.5%	24	10.4%	30	13.0%	230	156.6	55.5
Iredell	667	84.0%	76	9.6%	51	6.4%	794	98.3	46.5
District Totals	1,772	82.1%	183	8.5%	203	9.4%	2,158	116.9	50.0
<u>District 23</u>									
Alleghany	69	85.2%	7	8.6%	5	6.2%	81	92.7	46.0
Ashe	143	89.4%	9	5.6%	8	5.0%	160	75.4	43.5
Wilkes	459	87.6%	43	8.2%	22	4.2%	524	79.9	41.0
Yadkin	152	79.2%	24	12.5%	16	8.3%	192	118.1	53.0
District Totals	823	86.0%	83	8.7%	51	5.3%	957	87.9	43.0
<u>District 24</u>									
Avery	74	61.2%	18	14.9%	29	24.0%	121	248.8	110.0
Madison	66	73.3%	4	4.4%	20	22.2%	90	261.7	64.0
Mitchell	89	89.0%	8	8.0%	3	3.0%	100	83.8	57.5
Watauga	189	75.6%	35	14.0%	26	10.4%	250	149.3	77.0
Yancey	89	78.8%	22	19.5%	2	1.8%	113	103.2	58.0
District Totals	507	75.2%	87	12.9%	80	11.9%	674	164.7	68.0
<u>District 25</u>									
Burke	644	73.3%	110	12.5%	124	14.1%	878	182.2	48.0
Caldwell	537	77.8%	76	11.0%	77	11.2%	690	145.7	49.0
Catawba	1,062	78.3%	87	6.4%	208	15.3%	1,357	151.5	49.0
District Totals	2,243	76.7%	273	9.3%	409	14.0%	2,925	159.3	49.0
<u>District 26</u>									
Mecklenburg	4,427	90.8%	305	6.3%	141	2.9%	4,873	74.9	49.0

AGES OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS CASES DISPOSED IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
<u>District 27A</u>									
Gaston	2,012	88.8%	153	6.8%	101	4.5%	2,266	79.2	42.0
<u>District 27B</u>									
Cleveland	862	85.1%	135	13.3%	16	1.6%	1,013	79.7	45.0
Lincoln	390	88.0%	51	11.5%	2	0.5%	443	80.4	50.0
District Totals	1,252	86.0%	186	12.8%	18	1.2%	1,456	79.9	46.0
<u>District 28</u>									
Buncombe	1,482	75.8%	342	17.5%	130	6.7%	1,954	122.3	59.0
<u>District 29</u>									
Henderson	435	74.1%	66	11.2%	86	14.7%	587	158.0	58.0
McDowell	249	74.3%	42	12.5%	44	13.1%	335	145.3	52.0
Polk	45	86.5%	2	3.8%	5	9.6%	52	114.8	47.0
Rutherford	438	76.8%	28	4.9%	104	18.2%	570	181.5	55.5
Transylvania	197	68.2%	19	6.6%	73	25.3%	289	259.0	59.0
District Totals	1,364	74.4%	157	8.6%	312	17.0%	1,833	177.7	56.0
<u>District 30</u>									
Cherokee	125	82.2%	20	13.2%	7	4.6%	152	108.6	57.5
Clay	25	69.4%	4	11.1%	7	19.4%	36	201.7	78.0
Graham	55	80.9%	11	16.2%	2	2.9%	68	103.0	71.5
Haywood	319	68.8%	60	12.9%	85	18.3%	464	201.7	68.5
Jackson	137	74.9%	37	20.2%	9	4.9%	183	131.3	70.0
Macon	128	69.9%	22	12.0%	33	18.0%	183	192.6	68.0
Swain	71	73.2%	17	17.5%	9	9.3%	97	160.8	59.0
District Totals	860	72.7%	171	14.5%	152	12.8%	1,183	168.4	67.0
State Totals	53,492	80.9%	6,010	9.1%	6,610	10.0%	66,112	133.1	53.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1987

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	< 9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
<u>District 1</u>									
Camden	9	69.2%	1	7.7%	3	23.1%	13	332.2	190.0
Chowan	33	57.9%	12	21.1%	12	21.1%	57	423.2	259.0
Currituck	31	50.8%	16	26.2%	14	23.0%	61	323.5	260.0
Dare	64	52.5%	43	35.2%	15	12.3%	122	288.1	264.0
Gates	7	63.6%	2	18.2%	2	18.2%	11	285.3	146.0
Pasquotank	67	68.4%	21	21.4%	10	10.2%	98	238.1	158.0
Perquimans	11	32.4%	10	29.4%	13	38.2%	34	511.4	368.0
District Totals	222	56.1%	105	26.5%	69	17.4%	396	321.2	229.5
<u>District 2</u>									
Beaufort	86	65.6%	30	22.9%	15	11.5%	131	295.6	195.0
Hyde	14	66.7%	3	14.3%	4	19.0%	21	307.5	116.0
Martin	13	39.4%	6	18.2%	14	42.4%	33	600.1	473.0
Tyrrell	3	18.8%	9	56.3%	4	25.0%	16	453.3	424.5
Washington	13	68.4%	2	10.5%	4	21.1%	19	272.4	109.0
District Totals	129	58.6%	50	22.7%	41	18.6%	220	351.9	214.0
<u>District 3</u>									
Carteret	114	78.1%	27	18.5%	5	3.4%	146	165.0	104.5
Craven	216	85.7%	29	11.5%	7	2.8%	252	149.6	103.5
Pamlico	11	91.7%	1	8.3%	0	0.0%	12	99.3	81.0
Pitt	273	90.7%	26	8.6%	2	0.7%	301	105.7	61.0
District Totals	614	86.4%	83	11.7%	14	2.0%	711	133.4	84.0
<u>District 4</u>									
Duplin	53	57.0%	25	26.9%	15	16.1%	93	320.0	238.0
Jones	29	54.7%	12	22.6%	12	22.6%	53	420.1	134.0
Onslow	335	48.1%	113	16.2%	248	35.6%	696	448.6	293.0
Sampson	83	65.4%	27	21.3%	17	13.4%	127	269.7	138.0
District Totals	500	51.6%	177	18.3%	292	30.1%	969	411.3	250.0
<u>District 5</u>									
New Hanover	602	65.3%	176	19.1%	144	15.6%	922	263.2	158.5
Pender	61	71.8%	10	11.8%	14	16.5%	85	339.8	131.0
District Totals	663	65.8%	186	18.5%	158	15.7%	1,007	269.6	155.0
<u>District 6</u>									
Bertie	35	76.1%	9	19.6%	2	4.3%	46	173.1	126.0
Halifax	65	84.4%	10	13.0%	2	2.6%	77	141.7	104.0
Hertford	67	91.8%	4	5.5%	2	2.7%	73	123.3	92.0
Northampton	24	92.3%	0	0.0%	2	7.7%	26	113.9	38.0
District Totals	191	86.0%	23	10.4%	8	3.6%	222	138.9	92.0
<u>District 7</u>									
Edgecombe	66	63.5%	20	19.2%	18	17.3%	104	334.6	156.5
Nash	175	73.2%	49	20.5%	15	6.3%	239	200.6	113.0
Wilson	107	73.3%	19	13.0%	20	13.7%	146	293.3	115.0
District Totals	348	71.2%	88	18.0%	53	10.8%	489	256.8	124.0
<u>District 8</u>									
Greene	13	81.3%	3	18.8%	0	0.0%	16	138.1	132.5
Lenoir	162	73.3%	48	21.7%	11	5.0%	221	183.4	131.0
Wayne	295	64.6%	134	29.3%	28	6.1%	457	222.0	167.0
District Totals	470	67.7%	185	26.7%	39	5.6%	694	207.8	156.5

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1987

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
<u>District 9</u>									
Franklin	47	60.3%	19	24.4%	12	15.4%	78	352.5	171.0
Granville	36	90.0%	3	7.5%	1	2.5%	40	146.3	105.5
Person	67	75.3%	10	11.2%	12	13.5%	89	247.4	85.0
Vance	87	73.1%	24	20.2%	8	6.7%	119	202.9	110.0
Warren	30	83.3%	4	11.1%	2	5.6%	36	164.6	111.0
District Totals	267	73.8%	60	16.6%	35	9.7%	362	236.0	113.0
<u>District 10</u>									
Wake	2,735	66.7%	962	23.5%	405	9.9%	4,102	243.3	140.5
<u>District 11</u>									
Harnett	179	88.2%	21	10.3%	3	1.5%	203	117.4	77.0
Johnston	217	70.0%	90	29.0%	3	1.0%	310	189.9	146.0
Lee	127	83.6%	21	13.8%	4	2.6%	152	144.5	78.0
District Totals	523	78.6%	132	19.8%	10	1.5%	665	157.4	103.0
<u>District 12</u>									
Cumberland	559	63.5%	185	21.0%	136	15.5%	880	268.0	180.0
Hoke	25	52.1%	4	8.3%	19	39.6%	48	614.5	221.5
District Totals	584	62.9%	189	20.4%	155	16.7%	928	285.9	181.0
<u>District 13</u>									
Bladen	57	41.3%	35	25.4%	46	33.3%	138	414.4	392.0
Brunswick	204	35.2%	138	23.8%	237	40.9%	579	550.7	418.0
Columbus	158	35.5%	111	24.9%	176	39.6%	445	456.1	427.0
District Totals	419	36.1%	284	24.4%	459	39.5%	1,162	498.3	413.0
<u>District 14</u>									
Durham	633	48.0%	395	29.9%	291	22.1%	1,319	364.9	288.0
<u>District 15A</u>									
Alamance	219	69.5%	82	26.0%	14	4.4%	315	200.1	148.0
<u>District 15B</u>									
Chatham	43	81.1%	8	15.1%	2	3.8%	53	179.4	130.0
Orange	231	56.9%	96	23.6%	79	19.5%	406	290.7	208.0
District Totals	274	59.7%	104	22.7%	81	17.6%	459	277.9	194.0
<u>District 16</u>									
Robeson	281	59.5%	129	27.3%	62	13.1%	472	266.6	182.0
Scotland	69	72.6%	16	16.8%	10	10.5%	95	206.3	132.0
District Totals	350	61.7%	145	25.6%	72	12.7%	567	256.5	166.0
<u>District 17A</u>									
Caswell	12	48.0%	7	28.0%	6	24.0%	25	326.1	284.0
Rockingham	90	86.5%	12	11.5%	2	1.9%	104	120.8	74.5
District Totals	102	79.1%	19	14.7%	8	6.2%	129	160.6	84.0
<u>District 17B</u>									
Stokes	60	78.9%	13	17.1%	3	3.9%	76	158.5	102.5
Surry	110	79.1%	25	18.0%	4	2.9%	139	160.4	98.0
District Totals	170	79.1%	38	17.7%	7	3.3%	215	159.8	98.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1987

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	< 9	%	9-18	%	> 18	%			
<u>District 18</u>									
Guilford	1,679	51.1%	831	25.3%	776	23.6%	3,286	337.7	258.0
<u>District 19A</u>									
Cabarrus	291	83.4%	44	12.6%	14	4.0%	349	162.7	127.0
Rowan	260	85.0%	42	13.7%	4	1.3%	306	139.4	119.0
District Totals	551	84.1%	86	13.1%	18	2.7%	655	151.8	123.0
<u>District 19B</u>									
Montgomery	88	50.3%	42	24.0%	45	25.7%	175	389.6	259.0
Randolph	106	77.4%	26	19.0%	5	3.6%	137	162.9	91.0
District Totals	194	62.2%	68	21.8%	50	16.0%	312	290.1	151.0
<u>District 20</u>									
Anson	36	43.4%	21	25.3%	26	31.3%	83	422.1	314.0
Moore	156	31.8%	85	17.3%	250	50.9%	491	573.0	594.0
Richmond	71	61.2%	22	19.0%	23	19.8%	116	304.6	157.5
Stanly	91	28.3%	46	14.3%	184	57.3%	321	905.7	714.0
Union	194	48.0%	103	25.5%	107	26.5%	404	341.3	286.0
District Totals	548	38.7%	277	19.6%	590	41.7%	1,415	551.5	410.0
<u>District 21</u>									
Forsyth	1,127	57.2%	365	18.5%	477	24.2%	1,969	364.0	221.0
<u>District 22</u>									
Alexander	33	94.3%	2	5.7%	0	0.0%	35	91.7	33.0
Davidson	243	75.7%	60	18.7%	18	5.6%	321	171.0	95.0
Davie	42	68.9%	11	18.0%	8	13.1%	61	238.7	98.0
Iredell	207	68.1%	83	27.3%	14	4.6%	304	202.0	163.5
District Totals	525	72.8%	156	21.6%	40	5.5%	721	185.9	112.0
<u>District 23</u>									
Alleghany	19	73.1%	7	26.9%	0	0.0%	26	144.1	82.5
Ashe	36	69.2%	11	21.2%	5	9.6%	52	212.3	101.0
Wilkes	263	81.4%	51	15.8%	9	2.8%	323	152.3	99.0
Yadkin	55	63.2%	9	10.3%	23	26.4%	87	462.1	116.0
District Totals	373	76.4%	78	16.0%	37	7.6%	488	213.5	99.0
<u>District 24</u>									
Avery	77	67.0%	24	20.9%	14	12.2%	115	255.7	120.0
Madison	7	25.9%	14	51.9%	6	22.2%	27	383.9	349.0
Mitchell	28	28.6%	70	71.4%	0	0.0%	98	333.6	435.0
Watauga	104	78.8%	21	15.9%	7	5.3%	132	181.0	130.0
Yancey	14	73.7%	4	21.1%	1	5.3%	19	219.2	140.0
District Totals	230	58.8%	133	34.0%	28	7.2%	391	257.1	167.0
<u>District 25</u>									
Burke	148	92.5%	10	6.3%	2	1.3%	160	114.5	75.5
Caldwell	133	83.1%	23	14.4%	4	2.5%	160	160.0	106.0
Catawba	274	74.1%	85	23.0%	11	3.0%	370	193.0	135.0
District Totals	555	80.4%	118	17.1%	17	2.5%	690	167.1	106.0
<u>District 26</u>									
Mecklenburg	3,292	70.1%	1,079	23.0%	324	6.9%	4,695	207.6	151.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1987

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
<u>District 27A</u>									
Gaston	250	78.6%	56	17.6%	12	3.8%	318	179.8	136.0
<u>District 27B</u>									
Cleveland	82	96.5%	3	3.5%	0	0.0%	85	77.6	57.0
Lincoln	60	95.2%	3	4.8%	0	0.0%	63	96.5	60.0
District Totals	142	95.9%	6	4.1%	0	0.0%	148	85.6	57.0
<u>District 28</u>									
Buncombe	609	82.4%	117	15.8%	13	1.8%	739	153.5	113.0
<u>District 29</u>									
Henderson	87	41.6%	70	33.5%	52	24.9%	209	363.3	337.0
McDowell	52	80.0%	12	18.5%	1	1.5%	65	152.8	112.0
Polk	13	44.8%	8	27.6%	8	27.6%	29	388.5	314.0
Rutherford	41	55.4%	19	25.7%	14	18.9%	74	332.7	242.5
Transylvania	68	48.6%	40	28.6%	32	22.9%	140	389.2	292.0
District Totals	261	50.5%	149	28.8%	107	20.7%	517	340.9	267.0
<u>District 30</u>									
Cherokee	12	60.0%	7	35.0%	1	5.0%	20	202.7	153.5
Clay	5	55.6%	0	0.0%	4	44.4%	9	363.1	236.0
Graham	6	37.5%	6	37.5%	4	25.0%	16	362.3	405.0
Haywood	93	69.4%	29	21.6%	12	9.0%	134	254.4	198.0
Jackson	41	78.8%	4	7.7%	7	13.5%	52	243.8	130.0
Macon	37	66.1%	12	21.4%	7	12.5%	56	245.4	102.0
Swain	10	32.3%	15	48.4%	6	19.4%	31	466.8	314.0
District Totals	204	64.2%	73	23.0%	41	12.9%	318	277.0	195.0
State Totals	19,953	63.2%	6,899	21.8%	4,741	15.0%	31,593	280.1	167.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES DISPOSED IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
<u>District 1</u>									
Camden	6	66.7%	1	11.1%	2	22.2%	9	296.1	155.0
Chowan	72	75.8%	15	15.8%	8	8.4%	95	224.3	213.0
Currituck	49	74.2%	14	21.2%	3	4.5%	66	190.7	158.5
Dare	106	65.4%	32	19.8%	24	14.8%	162	250.7	149.5
Gates	17	77.3%	5	22.7%	0	0.0%	22	158.2	70.5
Pasquotank	115	72.3%	18	11.3%	26	16.4%	159	216.7	109.0
Perquimans	12	32.4%	20	54.1%	5	13.5%	37	371.9	397.0
District Totals	377	68.5%	105	19.1%	68	12.4%	550	234.3	145.5
<u>District 2</u>									
Beaufort	95	64.2%	32	21.6%	21	14.2%	148	266.2	133.5
Hyde	14	48.3%	5	17.2%	10	34.5%	29	476.6	276.0
Martin	46	74.2%	6	9.7%	10	16.1%	62	325.8	105.5
Tyrrell	10	71.4%	1	7.1%	3	21.4%	14	448.5	115.5
Washington	56	83.6%	7	10.4%	4	6.0%	67	168.6	95.0
District Totals	221	69.1%	51	15.9%	48	15.0%	320	284.4	125.5
<u>District 3</u>									
Carteret	171	75.0%	49	21.5%	8	3.5%	228	180.8	127.5
Craven	652	85.0%	98	12.8%	17	2.2%	767	144.0	94.0
Pamlico	23	60.5%	13	34.2%	2	5.3%	38	230.9	176.0
Pitt	612	88.3%	72	10.4%	9	1.3%	693	140.4	101.0
District Totals	1,458	84.5%	232	13.4%	36	2.1%	1,726	149.3	103.5
<u>District 4</u>									
Duplin	104	70.3%	27	18.2%	17	11.5%	148	245.6	106.5
Jones	45	83.3%	7	13.0%	2	3.7%	54	151.4	94.0
Onslow	376	55.8%	108	16.0%	190	28.2%	674	452.2	209.0
Sampson	300	88.8%	26	7.7%	12	3.6%	338	113.0	46.5
District Totals	825	68.0%	168	13.8%	221	18.2%	1,214	319.2	107.5
<u>District 5</u>									
New Hanover	1,270	70.0%	302	16.6%	242	13.3%	1,814	256.1	143.0
Pender	133	77.3%	22	12.8%	17	9.9%	172	227.3	94.0
District Totals	1,403	70.6%	324	16.3%	259	13.0%	1,986	253.6	140.0
<u>District 6</u>									
Bertie	49	79.0%	11	17.7%	2	3.2%	62	162.4	111.0
Halifax	149	81.4%	30	16.4%	4	2.2%	183	166.3	121.0
Hertford	136	66.0%	61	29.6%	9	4.4%	206	216.3	184.0
Northampton	40	90.9%	3	6.8%	1	2.3%	44	127.7	86.0
District Totals	374	75.6%	105	21.2%	16	3.2%	495	183.2	125.0
<u>District 7</u>									
Edgecombe	207	76.1%	53	19.5%	12	4.4%	272	189.9	110.0
Nash	378	76.7%	84	17.0%	31	6.3%	493	202.2	93.0
Wilson	286	69.8%	66	16.1%	58	14.1%	410	302.1	99.5
District Totals	871	74.1%	203	17.3%	101	8.6%	1,175	234.2	102.0
<u>District 8</u>									
Greene	19	76.0%	6	24.0%	0	0.0%	25	187.2	151.0
Lenoir	332	64.1%	152	29.3%	34	6.6%	518	210.6	124.0
Wayne	464	59.6%	261	33.5%	53	6.8%	778	237.6	144.0
District Totals	815	61.7%	419	31.7%	87	6.6%	1,321	226.1	137.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES DISPOSED IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
<u>District 9</u>									
Franklin	52	61.2%	20	23.5%	13	15.3%	85	296.3	197.0
Granville	89	71.8%	22	17.7%	13	10.5%	124	234.4	172.0
Person	83	72.8%	21	18.4%	10	8.8%	114	220.0	132.5
Vance	111	66.9%	40	24.1%	15	9.0%	166	215.1	130.5
Warren	47	69.1%	16	23.5%	5	7.4%	68	223.4	183.0
District Totals	382	68.6%	119	21.4%	56	10.1%	557	233.8	159.0
<u>District 10</u>									
Wake	3,960	79.3%	439	8.8%	597	11.9%	4,996	188.0	92.0
<u>District 11</u>									
Harnett	338	84.1%	60	14.9%	4	1.0%	402	146.7	106.0
Johnston	435	81.6%	88	16.5%	10	1.9%	533	142.2	77.0
Lee	302	81.6%	58	15.7%	10	2.7%	370	170.1	140.5
District Totals	1,075	82.4%	206	15.8%	24	1.8%	1,305	151.5	94.0
<u>District 12</u>									
Cumberland	904	71.9%	153	12.2%	201	16.0%	1,258	227.2	112.0
Hoke	92	83.6%	15	13.6%	3	2.7%	110	147.1	87.0
District Totals	996	72.8%	168	12.3%	204	14.9%	1,368	220.8	109.0
<u>District 13</u>									
Bladen	226	87.3%	27	10.4%	6	2.3%	259	117.1	62.0
Brunswick	326	72.4%	72	16.0%	52	11.6%	450	223.2	104.5
Columbus	199	73.2%	32	11.8%	41	15.1%	272	238.9	116.0
District Totals	751	76.6%	131	13.4%	99	10.1%	981	199.5	91.0
<u>District 14</u>									
Durham	1,021	66.6%	152	9.9%	361	23.5%	1,534	294.7	153.0
<u>District 15A</u>									
Alamance	394	79.6%	46	9.3%	55	11.1%	495	181.4	91.0
<u>District 15B</u>									
Chatham	48	59.3%	23	28.4%	10	12.3%	81	273.1	197.0
Orange	307	80.8%	58	15.3%	15	3.9%	380	173.5	103.0
District Totals	355	77.0%	81	17.6%	25	5.4%	461	191.0	108.0
<u>District 16</u>									
Robeson	569	75.2%	110	14.5%	78	10.3%	757	208.4	77.0
Scotland	120	71.9%	34	20.4%	13	7.8%	167	223.1	99.0
District Totals	689	74.6%	144	15.6%	91	9.8%	924	211.1	82.0
<u>District 17A</u>									
Caswell	50	79.4%	4	6.3%	9	14.3%	63	211.4	130.0
Rockingham	324	76.2%	88	20.7%	13	3.1%	425	177.1	119.0
District Totals	374	76.6%	92	18.9%	22	4.5%	488	181.6	121.0
<u>District 17B</u>									
Stokes	91	84.3%	16	14.8%	1	0.9%	108	138.0	77.0
Surry	245	71.8%	74	21.7%	22	6.5%	341	190.0	101.0
District Totals	336	74.8%	90	20.0%	23	5.1%	449	177.5	89.0

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
<u>District 18</u>									
Guilford	2,597	79.4%	342	10.5%	333	10.2%	3,272	176.4	85.0
<u>District 19A</u>									
Cabarrus	385	63.2%	95	15.6%	129	21.2%	609	277.6	170.0
Rowan	488	68.6%	201	28.3%	22	3.1%	711	218.8	189.0
District Totals	873	66.1%	296	22.4%	151	11.4%	1,320	245.9	183.0
<u>District 19B</u>									
Montgomery	210	91.3%	14	6.1%	6	2.6%	230	125.9	83.5
Randolph	280	84.3%	36	10.8%	16	4.8%	332	135.6	64.5
District Totals	490	87.2%	50	8.9%	22	3.9%	562	131.6	71.0
<u>District 20</u>									
Anson	63	63.0%	16	16.0%	21	21.0%	100	315.8	185.5
Moore	147	60.5%	31	12.8%	65	26.7%	243	432.3	202.0
Richmond	124	42.3%	59	20.1%	110	37.5%	293	404.9	395.0
Stanly	181	91.9%	11	5.6%	5	2.5%	197	125.3	70.0
Union	184	53.3%	51	14.8%	110	31.9%	345	387.6	228.0
District Totals	699	59.3%	168	14.3%	311	26.4%	1,178	351.1	184.5
<u>District 21</u>									
Forsyth	2,050	80.0%	348	13.6%	166	6.5%	2,564	182.8	99.0
<u>District 22</u>									
Alexander	92	86.0%	12	11.2%	3	2.8%	107	127.0	72.0
Davidson	348	72.8%	101	21.1%	29	6.1%	478	187.8	86.5
Davie	79	59.0%	29	21.6%	26	19.4%	134	272.4	176.0
Iredell	649	89.6%	62	8.6%	13	1.8%	724	121.4	73.0
District Totals	1,168	80.9%	204	14.1%	71	4.9%	1,443	157.9	78.0
<u>District 23</u>									
Alleghany	59	80.8%	11	15.1%	3	4.1%	73	169.0	133.0
Ashe	59	76.6%	14	18.2%	4	5.2%	77	179.0	94.0
Wilkes	505	83.5%	81	13.4%	19	3.1%	605	150.1	79.0
Yadkin	116	84.1%	12	8.7%	10	7.2%	138	172.7	97.5
District Totals	739	82.8%	118	13.2%	36	4.0%	893	157.7	83.0
<u>District 24</u>									
Avery	99	78.0%	20	15.7%	8	6.3%	127	190.2	141.0
Madison	50	56.8%	21	23.9%	17	19.3%	88	291.8	233.0
Mitchell	62	82.7%	7	9.3%	6	8.0%	75	171.6	84.0
Watauga	300	76.1%	52	13.2%	42	10.7%	394	218.9	123.5
Yancey	28	90.3%	2	6.5%	1	3.2%	31	150.0	80.0
District Totals	539	75.4%	102	14.3%	74	10.3%	715	214.8	126.0
<u>District 25</u>									
Burke	332	72.3%	77	16.8%	50	10.9%	459	255.6	149.0
Caldwell	315	79.7%	55	13.9%	25	6.3%	395	172.2	106.0
Catawba	527	68.8%	177	23.1%	62	8.1%	766	213.5	107.0
District Totals	1,174	72.5%	309	19.1%	137	8.5%	1,620	215.3	122.0
<u>District 26</u>									
Mecklenburg	4,429	75.3%	863	14.7%	592	10.1%	5,884	203.2	110.0

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	< 9	%	9-18	%	> 18	%			
<u>District 27A</u>									
Gaston	482	73.1%	108	16.4%	69	10.5%	659	214.1	128.0
<u>District 27B</u>									
Cleveland	252	91.6%	21	7.6%	2	0.7%	275	126.2	92.0
Lincoln	148	95.5%	7	4.5%	0	0.0%	155	118.9	103.0
District Totals	400	93.0%	28	6.5%	2	0.5%	430	123.6	98.0
<u>District 28</u>									
Buncombe	1,120	80.3%	250	17.9%	24	1.7%	1,394	173.2	135.0
<u>District 29</u>									
Henderson	178	56.7%	70	22.3%	66	21.0%	314	333.8	189.0
McDowell	105	69.5%	31	20.5%	15	9.9%	151	228.0	113.0
Polk	35	85.4%	3	7.3%	3	7.3%	41	160.7	55.0
Rutherford	110	68.8%	32	20.0%	18	11.3%	160	220.5	125.5
Transylvania	214	68.8%	65	20.9%	32	10.3%	311	237.3	134.0
District Totals	642	65.7%	201	20.6%	134	13.7%	977	260.9	139.0
<u>District 30</u>									
Cherokee	54	93.1%	3	5.2%	1	1.7%	58	139.4	112.5
Clay	28	77.8%	4	11.1%	4	11.1%	36	212.6	128.0
Graham	13	68.4%	4	21.1%	2	10.5%	19	211.3	84.0
Haywood	105	66.9%	36	22.9%	16	10.2%	157	232.7	166.0
Jackson	123	81.5%	21	13.9%	7	4.6%	151	193.1	161.0
Macon	53	63.9%	18	21.7%	12	14.5%	83	277.8	175.0
Swain	22	57.9%	9	23.7%	7	18.4%	38	305.0	188.5
District Totals	398	73.4%	95	17.5%	49	9.0%	542	221.6	151.5
State Totals	34,477	75.3%	6,757	14.8%	4,564	10.0%	45,798	208.0	109.0

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	<u>Filings</u>	<u>Dispositions</u>		<u>Filings</u>	<u>Dispositions</u>
<u>District 1</u>			<u>District 9</u>		
Camden	107	119	Franklin	1,175	1,090
Chowan	971	1,007	Granville	1,306	1,309
Currituck	290	262	Person	931	863
Dare	524	531	Vance	2,756	2,980
Gates	291	301	Warren	1,017	1,023
Pasquotank	959	951			
Perquimans	408	424	District Totals	7,185	7,265
District Totals	3,550	3,595	<u>District 10</u>		
<u>District 2</u>			Wake	13,867	13,481
Beaufort	1,535	1,472			
Hyde	151	150	<u>District 11</u>		
Martin	835	851	Harnett	1,760	1,696
Tyrrell	189	185	Johnston	2,578	2,553
Washington	606	594	Lee	1,215	1,186
District Totals	3,316	3,252	District Totals	5,553	5,435
<u>District 3</u>			<u>District 12</u>		
Carteret	1,509	1,464	Cumberland	11,558	11,249
Craven	2,485	2,612	Hoke	661	594
Pamlico	226	244	District Totals	12,219	11,843
Pitt	3,421	3,374			
District Totals	7,641	7,694	<u>District 13</u>		
<u>District 4</u>			Bladen	1,901	1,870
Duplin	2,063	1,961	Brunswick	1,352	1,365
Jones	188	174	Columbus	2,022	2,020
Onslow	4,970	3,783	District Totals	5,275	5,255
Sampson	1,597	1,682			
District Totals	8,818	7,600	<u>District 14</u>		
<u>District 5</u>			Durham	16,569	16,180
New Hanover	5,460	5,248			
Pender	762	577	<u>District 15A</u>		
District Totals	6,222	5,825	Alamance	2,903	2,897
<u>District 6</u>					
Bertie	1,079	1,065	<u>District 15B</u>		
Halifax	2,020	1,948	Chatham	903	868
Hertford	728	666	Orange	1,540	1,612
Northampton	814	755	District Totals	2,443	2,480
District Totals	4,641	4,434			
<u>District 7</u>			<u>District 16</u>		
Edgecombe	6,079	6,498	Robeson	4,518	4,522
Nash	5,920	5,144	Scotland	1,608	1,562
Wilson	3,582	3,393	District Totals	6,126	6,084
District Totals	15,581	15,035			
<u>District 8</u>			<u>District 17A</u>		
Greene	347	377	Caswell	445	380
Lenoir	2,169	2,149	Rockingham	2,753	2,705
Wayne	3,120	3,088	District Totals	3,198	3,085
District Totals	5,636	5,614	<u>District 17B</u>		
			Stokes	438	462
			Surry	1,845	1,981
			District Totals	2,283	2,443

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	<u>Filings</u>	<u>Dispositions</u>		<u>Filings</u>	<u>Dispositions</u>
<u>District 18</u>			<u>District 25</u>		
Guilford	15,860	14,490	Burke	2,318	2,231
			Caldwell	1,679	1,728
			Catawba	2,969	2,933
<u>District 19A</u>			District Totals	6,966	6,892
Cabarrus	2,363	2,146			
Rowan	2,740	2,704	<u>District 26</u>		
District Totals	5,103	4,850	Mecklenburg	31,535	27,989
<u>District 19B</u>					
Montgomery	1,029	1,098	<u>District 27A</u>		
Randolph	1,651	1,638	Gaston	4,805	4,816
District Totals	2,680	2,736			
<u>District 20</u>			<u>District 27B</u>		
Anson	784	763	Cleveland	3,172	3,209
Moore	1,691	1,721	Lincoln	998	1,018
Richmond	1,607	1,655	District Totals	4,170	4,227
Stanly	1,008	987			
Union	2,652	2,592	<u>District 28</u>		
District Totals	7,742	7,718	Buncombe	4,462	4,626
<u>District 21</u>					
Forsyth	13,486	13,022	<u>District 29</u>		
<u>District 22</u>			Henderson	970	1,000
Alexander	685	714	McDowell	615	585
Davidson	2,845	2,897	Polk	277	305
Davie	476	471	Rutherford	1,669	2,179
Iredell	2,757	2,889	Transylvania	576	538
District Totals	6,763	6,971	District Totals	4,107	4,607
<u>District 23</u>			<u>District 30</u>		
Alleghany	186	168	Cherokee	313	319
Ashe	290	268	Clay	56	56
Wilkes	1,948	1,876	Graham	69	67
Yadkin	505	524	Haywood	904	926
District Totals	2,929	2,836	Jackson	361	328
<u>District 24</u>			Macon	439	434
Avery	336	338	Swain	129	97
Madison	136	153	District Totals	2,271	2,227
Mitchell	260	218	State Totals	247,455	239,001
Watauga	633	618			
Yancey	185	170			
District Totals	1,550	1,497			

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS			Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children Before Court for First Time
	Delinquent			Undisciplined				Dependent	Neglected	Abused			
	Capital	Other Felony	Misde- meanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total						
<u>District 1</u>													
Camden	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	6	6	4	0	19	8
Chowan	0	6	48	54	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	62	26
Currituck	0	0	7	7	0	0	0	3	2	1	0	13	9
Dare	0	0	27	27	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	29	29
Gates	0	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	6	6
Pasquotank	0	44	100	144	0	0	0	5	5	8	7	169	55
Perquimans	0	3	10	13	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	14	8
District Totals	0	54	198	252	0	1	1	18	17	17	7	312	141
<u>District 2</u>													
Beaufort	0	77	123	200	1	8	9	15	13	4	2	243	75
Hyde	0	0	5	5	0	1	1	0	3	2	0	11	8
Martin	0	15	80	95	3	1	4	8	20	10	1	138	56
Tyrrell	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Washington	0	4	23	27	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	30	24
District Totals	0	96	231	327	5	11	16	23	37	16	3	422	163
<u>District 3</u>													
Carteret	0	78	72	150	3	7	10	10	17	9	1	197	72
Craven	0	122	200	322	1	9	10	12	17	13	12	386	112
Pamlico	0	19	7	26	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	29	14
Pitt	0	65	81	146	4	8	12	32	22	6	3	221	105
District Totals	0	284	360	644	8	24	32	56	56	29	16	833	303
<u>District 4</u>													
Duplin	0	25	25	50	1	1	2	0	15	0	4	71	43
Jones	0	0	2	2	0	1	1	2	2	4	0	11	9
Onslow	0	183	187	370	9	5	14	15	42	22	1	464	173
Sampson	0	19	46	65	0	4	4	5	9	0	5	88	46
District Totals	0	227	260	487	10	11	21	22	68	26	10	634	271
<u>District 5</u>													
New Hanover	0	221	286	507	4	49	53	2	25	4	7	598	216
Pender	0	43	25	68	0	14	14	0	0	1	0	83	35
District Totals	0	264	311	575	4	63	67	2	25	5	7	681	251
<u>District 6</u>													
Bertie	0	0	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10
Halifax	0	58	92	150	0	9	9	7	10	2	0	178	77
Hertford	0	12	20	32	0	1	1	5	8	4	0	50	33
Northampton	0	8	5	13	0	3	3	0	11	0	0	27	23
District Totals	0	78	127	205	0	13	13	12	29	6	0	265	143
<u>District 7</u>													
Edgecombe	0	73	181	254	1	1	2	10	32	9	8	315	124
Nash	0	46	123	169	2	0	2	18	21	13	6	229	106
Wilson	0	71	181	252	0	5	5	5	14	9	16	301	123
District Totals	0	190	485	675	3	6	9	33	67	31	30	845	353
<u>District 8</u>													
Greene	0	0	4	4	2	1	3	2	6	0	3	18	14
Lenoir	0	29	114	143	0	28	28	16	28	3	9	227	111
Wayne	0	126	112	238	4	20	24	40	67	13	40	422	142
District Totals	0	155	230	385	6	49	55	58	101	16	52	667	267

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CONDITIONS

	Delinquent				Undisciplined						Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children Before Court for First Time
	Capital	Other Felony	Misde- meanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependent	Neglected	Abused			
<u>District 9</u>													
Franklin	0	7	30	37	0	16	16	1	8	12	0	74	53
Granville	0	38	65	103	0	5	5	5	7	6	0	126	57
Person	0	18	23	41	5	3	8	3	5	5	0	62	61
Vance	0	43	83	126	3	12	15	5	6	4	0	156	75
Warren	0	18	6	24	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	25	13
District Totals	0	124	207	331	9	36	45	14	26	27	0	443	259
<u>District 10</u>													
Wake	0	312	523	835	3	56	59	17	16	7	35	969	432
<u>District 11</u>													
Harnett	0	19	78	97	0	1	1	9	12	6	0	125	58
Johnston	0	63	80	143	1	3	4	0	18	4	5	174	91
Lee	0	24	100	124	0	0	0	3	10	7	8	152	78
District Totals	0	106	258	364	1	4	5	12	40	17	13	451	227
<u>District 12</u>													
Cumberland	0	376	629	1,005	0	311	311	136	136	38	16	1,642	539
Hoke	0	26	47	73	3	2	5	7	7	2	5	99	47
District Totals	0	402	676	1,078	3	313	316	143	143	40	21	1,741	586
<u>District 13</u>													
Bladen	0	7	33	40	0	6	6	8	9	4	0	67	37
Brunswick	1	42	208	251	2	12	14	14	16	5	5	305	76
Columbus	0	10	65	75	3	7	10	17	22	9	0	133	69
District Totals	1	59	306	366	5	25	30	39	47	18	5	505	182
<u>District 14</u>													
Durham	1	128	178	307	9	44	53	46	45	22	15	488	174
<u>District 15A</u>													
Alamance	0	77	129	206	10	26	36	22	41	18	22	345	149
<u>District 15B</u>													
Chatham	0	19	26	45	0	3	3	5	17	6	8	84	52
Orange	0	50	75	125	5	5	10	40	23	8	6	212	189
District Totals	0	69	101	170	5	8	13	45	40	14	14	296	241
<u>District 16</u>													
Robeson	0	144	340	484	6	25	31	15	70	32	18	650	237
Scotland	0	75	98	173	2	0	2	3	26	16	2	222	99
District Totals	0	219	438	657	8	25	33	18	96	48	20	872	336
<u>District 17A</u>													
Caswell	0	5	15	20	0	3	3	1	4	0	0	28	15
Rockingham	0	101	169	270	2	28	30	18	22	13	0	353	105
District Totals	0	106	184	290	2	31	33	19	26	13	0	381	120
<u>District 17B</u>													
Stokes	0	15	13	28	8	9	17	4	9	2	0	60	41
Surry	0	21	57	78	17	10	27	5	25	6	1	142	77
District Totals	0	36	70	106	25	19	44	9	34	8	1	202	118

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children Before Court for First Time
	Delinquent				Undisciplined			Dependent	Neglected	Abused					
	Capital	Other Felony	Misde- meanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total								
<u>District 18</u>															
Guilford	0	241	585	826	47	133	180	36	74	23	57	1,196	493		
<u>District 19A</u>															
Cabarrus	0	30	63	93	3	21	24	10	16	9	9	161	103		
Rowan	0	103	201	304	64	81	145	101	124	25	23	722	170		
District Totals	0	133	264	397	67	102	169	111	140	34	32	883	273		
<u>District 19B</u>															
Montgomery	0	2	31	33	3	4	7	5	14	10	0	69	50		
Randolph	0	66	131	197	17	80	97	56	72	12	13	447	205		
District Totals	0	68	162	230	20	84	104	61	86	22	13	516	255		
<u>District 20</u>															
Anson	0	0	23	23	4	3	7	0	4	0	0	34	24		
Moore	0	19	100	119	1	10	11	9	25	6	28	198	72		
Richmond	0	80	90	170	1	2	3	25	16	5	2	221	64		
Stanly	0	10	91	101	3	9	12	6	8	2	0	129	42		
Union	1	61	118	180	1	9	10	29	68	35	3	325	120		
District Totals	1	170	422	593	10	33	43	69	121	48	33	907	322		
<u>District 21</u>															
Forsyth	0	215	371	586	31	125	156	13	55	5	17	832	327		
<u>District 22</u>															
Alexander	0	5	34	39	3	13	16	1	6	7	3	72	57		
Davidson	0	31	57	88	1	46	47	18	30	6	16	205	156		
Davie	0	5	24	29	4	11	15	1	3	2	3	53	41		
Iredell	1	36	174	211	5	58	63	6	22	13	14	329	144		
District Totals	1	77	289	367	13	128	141	26	61	28	36	659	398		
<u>District 23</u>															
Alleghany	0	49	51	100	2	4	6	1	3	1	2	113	17		
Ashe	0	13	53	66	14	4	18	0	11	4	2	101	33		
Wilkes	0	17	125	142	43	52	95	54	134	47	14	486	121		
Yadkin	0	19	84	103	10	34	44	24	32	5	2	210	49		
District Totals	0	98	313	411	69	94	163	79	180	57	20	910	220		
<u>District 24</u>															
Avery	0	1	39	40	5	8	13	7	4	6	1	71	39		
Madison	0	6	6	12	4	5	9	1	8	12	0	42	32		
Mitchell	0	3	7	10	0	5	5	6	6	4	0	31	31		
Watauga	0	20	8	28	3	12	15	3	5	1	1	53	42		
Yancey	0	1	16	17	9	2	11	9	4	2	0	43	18		
District Totals	0	31	76	107	21	32	53	26	27	25	2	240	162		
<u>District 25</u>															
Burke	0	63	47	110	15	64	79	13	30	8	12	252	128		
Caldwell	0	83	107	190	46	58	104	48	37	8	17	404	114		
Catawba	0	93	149	242	20	50	70	14	24	11	15	376	149		
District Totals	0	239	303	542	81	172	253	75	91	27	44	1,032	391		
<u>District 26</u>															
Mecklenburg	0	527	929	1,456	9	225	234	12	111	38	38	1,889	716		

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS				Grand Total	Children Before Court for First Time
	Delinquent			Undisciplined				Dependent	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions		
	Capital	Other Felony	Misde- meanor	Total	Tuancy	Other	Total						
<u>District 27A</u>													
Gaston	0	203	447	650	2	136	138	24	53	11	33	909	327
<u>District 27B</u>													
Cleveland	0	77	123	200	6	3	9	17	46	16	12	300	145
Lincoln	0	18	39	57	11	4	15	9	15	7	1	104	51
District Totals	0	95	162	257	17	7	24	26	61	23	13	404	196
<u>District 28</u>													
Buncombe	3	87	204	294	43	190	233	36	29	12	10	614	243
<u>District 29</u>													
Henderson	0	7	72	79	26	11	37	2	14	3	11	146	87
McDowell	0	43	23	66	32	18	50	11	19	1	9	156	89
Polk	0	3	9	12	7	1	8	0	2	1	1	24	20
Rutherford	0	32	43	75	13	32	45	56	52	7	11	246	78
Transylvania	0	2	9	11	2	2	4	9	8	2	1	35	20
District Totals	0	87	156	243	80	64	144	78	95	14	33	607	294
<u>District 30</u>													
Cherokee -	0	0	6	6	1	3	4	1	14	0	4	29	25
Clay	0	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Graham	0	1	31	32	3	7	10	0	3	0	0	45	46
Haywood	0	16	34	50	4	24	28	9	8	5	0	100	46
Jackson	0	3	9	12	4	5	9	2	2	2	0	27	24
Macon	0	2	6	8	2	2	4	5	4	4	3	28	26
Swain	0	0	1	1	0	5	5	4	3	0	0	13	13
District Totals	0	23	90	113	14	46	60	21	34	11	7	246	184
State Totals	7	5,280	10,045	15,332	640	2,336	2,976	1,301	2,172	756	659	23,196	9,517

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	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Abuse Hearings		Parental Rights		Total Hearings
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	
<u>District 1</u>													
Camden	3	0	0	0	4	2	2	4	2	2	0	0	19
Chowan	41	5	0	0	5	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	54
Currituck	4	6	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	16
Dare	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	29
Gates	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	8
Pasquotank	103	39	0	0	2	2	3	2	4	5	2	0	162
Perquimans	13	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
District Totals	193	53	0	0	14	5	8	7	10	8	2	2	302
<u>District 2</u>													
Beaufort	153	55	8	1	9	3	9	3	5	0	2	0	248
Hyde	3	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Martin	80	33	2	1	6	0	14	7	7	4	0	0	154
Tyrrell	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Washington	22	7	1	1	0	0	2	3	0	1	0	0	37
District Totals	258	95	11	4	15	4	26	13	12	5	2	0	445
<u>District 3</u>													
Carteret	193	54	6	4	40	7	46	6	10	8	0	1	375
Craven	307	100	9	6	13	4	24	2	13	3	10	3	494
Pamlico	21	10	0	0	5	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	38
Pitt	143	35	3	6	79	6	76	5	4	2	3	0	362
District Totals	664	199	18	16	137	18	146	13	28	13	13	4	1,269
<u>District 4</u>													
Duplin	45	2	1	0	0	0	48	4	4	0	1	1	106
Jones	4	1	1	0	3	0	8	0	9	0	0	0	26
Onslow	131	14	6	2	18	2	76	17	54	17	6	0	343
Sampson	70	9	5	0	5	0	6	0	0	0	10	0	105
District Totals	250	26	13	2	26	2	138	21	67	17	17	1	580
<u>District 5</u>													
New Hanover	463	54	52	1	2	0	25	0	4	0	5	2	608
Pender	47	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	59
District Totals	510	54	63	1	2	0	25	0	5	0	5	2	667
<u>District 6</u>													
Bertie	6	13	0	0	6	1	9	7	2	0	0	0	44
Halifax	101	41	2	7	4	0	18	0	1	0	0	0	174
Hertford	23	30	3	1	3	6	11	5	2	3	0	0	87
Northampton	8	7	0	4	0	0	2	5	1	1	0	0	28
District Totals	138	91	5	12	13	7	40	17	6	4	0	0	333

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	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	
<u>District 7</u>													
Edgecombe	232	40	3	0	10	0	37	2	13	1	4	0	342
Nash	140	40	3	6	19	2	24	1	16	3	2	8	264
Wilson	196	44	0	3	7	2	21	0	6	0	17	0	296
District Totals	568	124	6	9	36	4	82	3	35	4	23	8	902
<u>District 8</u>													
Greene	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	6
Lenoir	105	43	14	17	12	2	18	1	3	0	4	0	219
Wayne	180	89	15	6	21	4	34	7	7	3	37	4	407
District Totals	286	132	29	23	33	6	53	8	10	3	45	4	632
<u>District 9</u>													
Franklin	33	4	1	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	44
Granville	79	22	4	1	4	2	5	0	3	0	0	0	120
Person	48	42	8	10	21	11	10	5	7	3	0	0	165
Vance	50	50	2	13	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	1	120
Warren	34	6	4	1	3	2	2	0	1	3	0	0	56
District Totals	244	124	19	28	28	17	18	7	11	7	1	1	505
<u>District 10</u>													
Wake	540	69	13	10	30	0	28	0	11	0	34	0	735
<u>District 11</u>													
Harnett	180	30	3	0	42	6	79	2	19	3	2	0	366
Johnston	69	10	2	2	1	1	19	2	5	0	8	0	119
Lee	94	55	1	1	18	15	37	12	7	5	0	2	247
District Totals	343	95	6	3	61	22	135	16	31	8	10	2	732
<u>District 12</u>													
Cumberland	594	509	82	256	107	37	81	73	18	29	12	1	1,799
Hoke	33	12	1	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	53
District Totals	627	521	83	257	110	37	84	73	18	29	12	1	1,852
<u>District 13</u>													
Bladen	26	22	3	9	0	3	1	8	1	3	0	0	76
Brunswick	102	148	4	8	18	0	18	0	4	0	4	0	306
Columbus	150	12	25	5	90	1	212	5	27	5	0	0	532
District Totals	278	182	32	22	108	4	231	13	32	8	4	0	914

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	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	
<u>District 14</u>													
Durham	103	33	7	16	19	6	20	1	5	1	1	5	217
<u>District 15A</u>													
Alamance	101	20	27	9	20	2	32	2	9	2	19	1	244
<u>District 15B</u>													
Chatham	37	22	1	5	4	3	6	4	4	1	8	5	100
Orange	141	16	9	0	12	0	11	0	1	0	5	0	195
District Totals	178	38	10	5	16	3	17	4	5	1	13	5	295
<u>District 16</u>													
Robeson	429	73	17	1	12	7	54	20	17	3	19	1	653
Scotland	122	22	1	1	3	0	24	0	13	1	0	1	188
District Totals	551	95	18	2	15	7	78	20	30	4	19	2	841
<u>District 17A</u>													
Caswell	12	5	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	19
Rockingham	217	30	29	3	14	1	17	3	9	2	0	0	325
District Totals	229	35	29	4	14	1	18	3	9	2	0	0	344
<u>District 17B</u>													
Stokes	23	9	10	7	4	0	9	0	3	0	0	0	65
Surry	42	31	16	5	2	3	11	7	3	3	0	2	125
District Totals	65	40	26	12	6	3	20	7	6	3	0	2	190
<u>District 18</u>													
Guilford	533	301	101	83	27	9	62	16	24	8	44	3	1,211
<u>District 19A</u>													
Cabarrus	91	18	24	0	11	2	13	2	6	0	7	0	174
Rowan	264	59	108	14	85	6	132	4	31	2	17	4	726
District Totals	355	77	132	14	96	8	145	6	37	2	24	4	900
<u>District 19B</u>													
Montgomery	64	19	10	2	24	2	51	4	33	4	0	2	215
Randolph	452	34	123	25	93	27	137	31	18	11	14	1	966
District Totals	516	53	133	27	117	29	188	35	51	15	14	3	1,181

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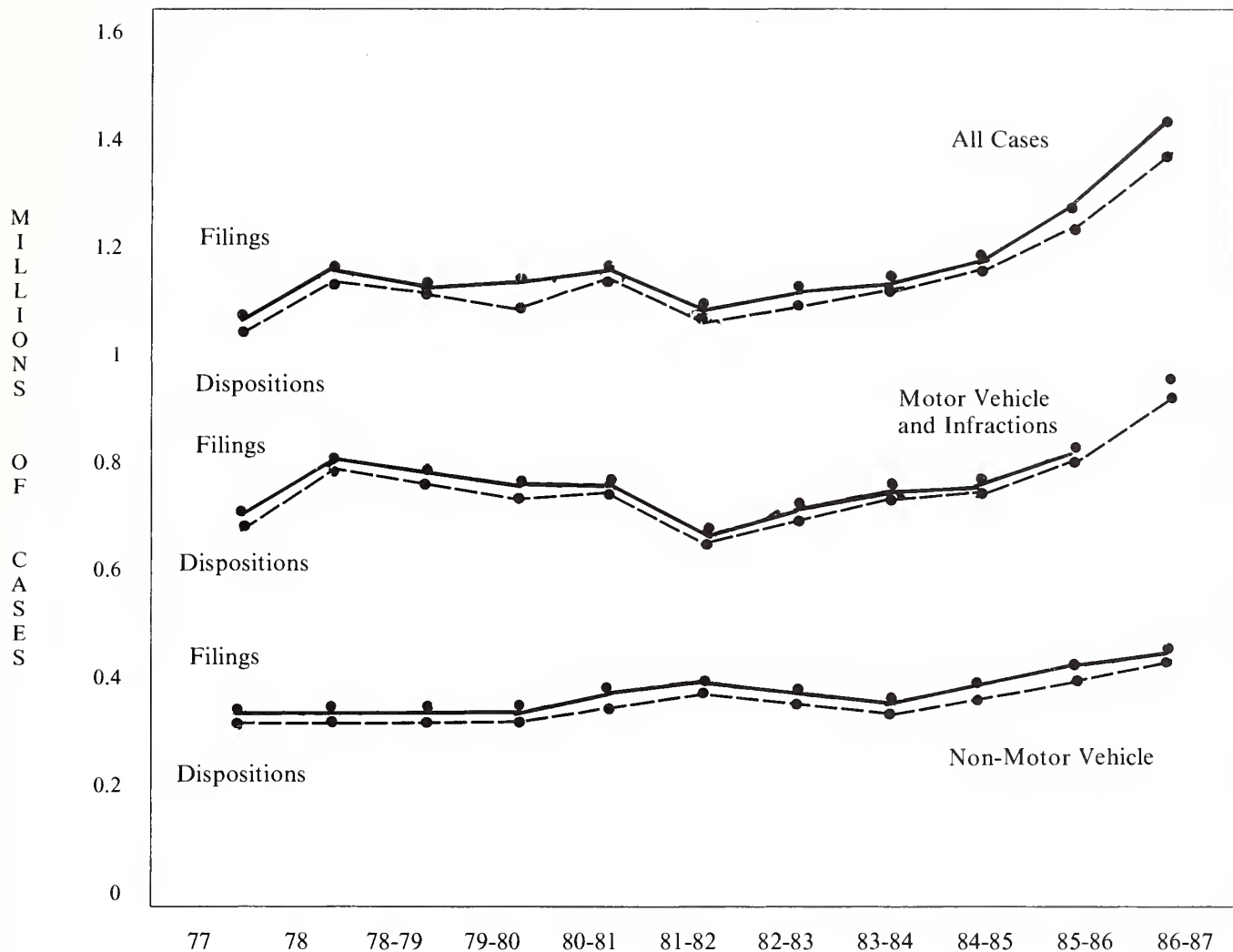
	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Abuse Hearings		Parental Rights		Total Hearings
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	
<u>District 20</u>													
Anson	16	30	4	6	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	59
Moore	96	23	3	8	9	0	24	1	6	0	28	0	198
Richmond	134	188	5	0	50	33	32	4	4	2	3	2	457
Stanly	61	10	8	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	84
Union	133	35	3	6	29	4	46	17	19	9	3	2	306
District Totals	440	286	23	22	90	37	105	23	29	11	34	4	1,104
<u>District 21</u>													
Forsyth	480	106	49	107	12	1	55	0	5	0	10	7	832
<u>District 22</u>													
Alexander	22	7	10	4	4	1	4	2	4	0	0	1	59
Davidson	83	16	13	28	12	1	25	3	4	2	8	0	195
Davie	21	10	9	4	5	0	4	5	3	2	2	0	65
Iredell	113	43	21	6	6	0	29	0	13	0	14	3	248
District Totals	239	76	53	42	27	2	62	10	24	4	24	4	567
<u>District 23</u>													
Alleghany	69	22	10	2	0	1	8	0	1	0	0	2	115
Ashe	46	36	12	1	0	1	15	3	4	0	0	5	123
Wilkes	157	1	103	4	59	3	145	5	50	0	3	5	535
Yadkin	93	27	28	20	25	1	36	7	5	1	2	0	245
District Totals	365	86	153	27	84	6	204	15	60	1	5	12	1,018
<u>District 24</u>													
Avery	51	31	53	16	33	2	23	0	12	1	1	0	223
Madison	15	8	14	2	8	3	39	2	58	3	0	0	152
Mitchell	1	2	2	3	0	4	0	7	0	0	0	3	22
Watauga	54	9	16	12	18	4	12	4	2	2	0	0	133
Yancey	1	3	4	2	5	1	2	3	0	3	0	0	24
District Totals	122	53	89	35	64	14	76	16	72	9	1	3	554
<u>District 25</u>													
Burke	154	33	99	34	80	7	208	7	44	1	13	6	686
Caldwell	318	83	133	40	91	17	91	9	38	4	0	16	840
Catawba	160	51	59	8	14	2	14	4	2	4	5	2	325
District Totals	632	167	291	82	185	26	313	20	84	9	18	24	1,851
<u>District 26</u>													
Mecklenburg	756	533	149	43	10	0	100	5	21	0	59	3	1,679

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	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	
<u>District 27A</u>													
Gaston	376	172	82	13	21	4	31	3	3	2	20	0	727
<u>District 27B</u>													
Cleveland	167	58	7	2	10	1	31	4	15	4	7	6	312
Lincoln	44	6	14	3	6	4	9	7	7	1	1	0	102
District Totals	211	64	21	5	16	5	40	11	22	5	8	6	414
<u>District 28</u>													
Buncombe	129	75	102	83	25	50	16	49	10	3	4	3	549
<u>District 29</u>													
Henderson	80	9	29	5	6	2	19	1	1	1	15	0	168
McDowell	38	3	45	1	10	1	12	0	1	0	0	4	115
Polk	5	0	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Rutherford	65	1	19	0	61	2	71	2	15	0	10	0	246
Transylvania	6	0	3	0	10	4	5	1	0	2	0	1	32
District Totals	194	13	104	6	88	9	107	4	17	3	25	5	575
<u>District 30</u>													
Cherokee	4	2	2	2	1	0	14	0	0	0	4	0	29
Clay	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Graham	20	12	8	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	45
Haywood	15	7	8	10	4	11	8	7	6	0	0	0	76
Jackson	11	4	6	4	5	0	5	0	1	1	0	0	37
Macon	6	0	1	2	5	1	3	1	3	1	6	0	29
Swain	1	0	4	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	10
District Totals	60	25	29	20	17	12	33	11	10	2	10	0	229
State Totals	11,534	4,113	1,926	1,044	1,582	360	2,736	452	809	193	520	121	25,390

FILING AND DISPOSITION TRENDS OF INFRACTIONS AND CRIMINAL CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

1977 — 1986-87



Infractions are a new case category in district court. Effective September 1, 1986, many minor traffic offenses became "infractions" rather than criminal offenses. Infractions are non-criminal violations of law not punishable by imprisonment. However, to allow meaningful comparison of multi-year trends in the district courts, infractions are included with criminal motor vehicle cases in this chart. Almost all infractions were criminal motor

vehicle cases in prior years. (The major exception is possession of beer or wine by persons over 18 and under 21, which was neither a crime nor an infraction last year.) Motor vehicle plus infraction filings together in 1986-87 were 16.2% greater than motor vehicle filings the year before, after an 8.7% increase in motor vehicle filings from 1984-85 to 1985-86. Non-motor vehicle filings increased 5.0% from 1985-86 to 1986-87.

MOTOR VEHICLE CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS*

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
<u>District 1</u>				
Camden	403	263	262	525
Chowan	617	401	267	668
Currituck	1,191	853	855	1,708
Dare	4,073	2,834	1,589	4,423
Gates	730	289	526	815
Pasquotank	1,073	556	660	1,216
Perquimans	570	380	279	659
District Totals	8,657	5,576	4,438	10,014
<u>District 2</u>				
Beaufort	3,772	1,386	2,319	3,705
Hyde	492	171	325	496
Martin	2,064	1,155	1,735	2,890
Tyrrell	394	205	215	420
Washington	785	425	382	807
District Totals	7,507	3,342	4,976	8,318
<u>District 3</u>				
Carteret	4,405	2,169	2,906	5,075
Craven	6,794	2,693	4,991	7,684
Pamlico	714	334	325	659
Pitt	10,000	3,682	7,282	10,964
District Totals	21,913	8,878	15,504	24,382
<u>District 4</u>				
Duplin	2,000	1,296	1,808	3,104
Jones	583	284	346	630
Onslow	8,076	2,409	5,917	8,326
Sampson	4,100	1,831	2,564	4,395
District Totals	14,759	5,820	10,635	16,455
<u>District 5</u>				
New Hanover	11,003	4,000	7,783	11,783
Pender	2,008	557	1,560	2,117
District Totals	13,011	4,557	9,343	13,900
<u>District 6</u>				
Bertie	1,414	773	1,043	1,816
Halifax	4,323	2,383	3,186	5,569
Hertford	1,730	718	1,152	1,870
Northampton	1,806	813	1,512	2,325
District Totals	9,273	4,687	6,893	11,580
<u>District 7</u>				
Edgecombe	4,151	2,184	2,016	4,200
Nash	8,218	4,222	3,792	8,014
Wilson	3,668	1,698	2,227	3,925
District Totals	16,037	8,104	8,035	16,139
<u>District 8</u>				
Greene	1,049	501	657	1,158
Lenoir	4,032	1,521	3,120	4,641
Wayne	5,526	2,147	3,002	5,149
District Totals	10,607	4,169	6,779	10,948

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MOTOR VEHICLE CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS*

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
<u>District 9</u>				
Franklin	2,196	668	1,631	2,299
Granville	1,935	918	1,299	2,217
Person	1,819	633	1,353	1,986
Vance	2,681	1,075	1,892	2,967
Warren	1,127	389	693	1,082
District Totals	9,758	3,683	6,868	10,551
<u>District 10</u>				
Wake	38,588	11,489	27,693	39,182
<u>District 11</u>				
Harnett	4,254	1,352	3,036	4,388
Johnston	7,544	2,598	4,602	7,200
Lee	2,699	965	1,726	2,691
District Totals	14,497	4,915	9,364	14,279
<u>District 12</u>				
Cumberland	20,166	7,993	15,032	23,025
Hoke	2,463	1,007	1,516	2,523
District Totals	22,629	9,000	16,548	25,548
<u>District 13</u>				
Bladen	3,783	1,548	2,811	4,359
Brunswick	2,795	849	1,986	2,835
Columbus	4,061	1,455	2,892	4,347
District Totals	10,639	3,852	7,689	11,541
<u>District 14</u>				
Durham	19,062	8,617	11,283	19,900
<u>District 15A</u>				
Alamance	6,860	2,739	4,769	7,508
<u>District 15B</u>				
Chatham	4,112	1,548	3,029	4,577
Orange	4,493	1,500	3,438	4,938
District Totals	8,605	3,048	6,467	9,515
<u>District 16</u>				
Robeson	9,005	2,937	8,128	11,065
Scotland	2,427	1,103	1,372	2,475
District Totals	11,432	4,040	9,500	13,540
<u>District 17A</u>				
Caswell	1,509	502	828	1,330
Rockingham	5,500	2,450	3,617	6,067
District Totals	7,009	2,952	4,445	7,397
<u>District 17B</u>				
Stokes	1,469	630	940	1,570
Surry	3,978	1,910	2,495	4,405
District Totals	5,447	2,540	3,435	5,975

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
<u>District 18</u>				
Guilford	29,904	10,771	24,674	35,445
<u>District 19A</u>				
Cabarrus	7,254	3,110	4,407	7,517
Rowan	6,715	3,041	4,473	7,514
District Totals	13,969	6,151	8,880	15,031
<u>District 19B</u>				
Montgomery	2,001	908	1,542	2,450
Randolph	5,778	2,542	3,585	6,127
District Totals	7,779	3,450	5,127	8,577
<u>District 20</u>				
Anson	2,515	797	1,650	2,447
Moore	3,887	1,564	2,815	4,379
Richmond	2,876	1,344	1,849	3,193
Stanly	2,186	1,088	1,428	2,516
Union	4,415	1,891	2,853	4,744
District Totals	15,879	6,684	10,595	17,279
<u>District 21</u>				
Forsyth	17,568	5,366	12,594	17,960
<u>District 22</u>				
Alexander	1,413	583	1,083	1,666
Davidson	9,358	3,814	5,728	9,542
Davie	2,052	976	1,763	2,739
Iredell	7,445	3,343	3,344	6,687
District Totals	20,268	8,716	11,918	20,634
<u>District 23</u>				
Alleghany	525	221	484	705
Ashe	859	440	523	963
Wilkes	3,124	1,471	2,429	3,900
Yadkin	1,719	863	1,065	1,928
District Totals	6,227	2,995	4,501	7,496
<u>District 24</u>				
Avery	898	400	647	1,047
Madison	1,140	732	593	1,325
Mitchell	754	327	436	763
Watauga	2,554	1,458	1,313	2,771
Yancey	742	459	408	867
District Totals	6,088	3,376	3,397	6,773
<u>District 25</u>				
Burke	5,316	2,224	3,303	5,527
Caldwell	4,447	1,643	3,165	4,808
Catawba	8,384	3,303	5,094	8,397
District Totals	18,147	7,170	11,562	18,732
<u>District 26</u>				
Mecklenburg	43,421	18,363	28,357	46,720

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
<u>District 27A</u>				
Gaston	12,966	4,725	8,842	13,567
 <u>District 27B</u>				
Cleveland	6,245	2,741	3,619	6,360
Lincoln	3,221	1,062	2,233	3,295
District Totals	9,466	3,803	5,852	9,655
 <u>District 28</u>				
Buncombe	10,129	4,953	5,862	10,815
 <u>District 29</u>				
Henderson	3,534	2,023	1,946	3,969
McDowell	2,076	1,334	1,230	2,564
Polk	1,256	566	643	1,209
Rutherford	2,978	1,214	1,543	2,757
Transylvania	1,277	609	745	1,354
District Totals	11,121	5,746	6,107	11,853
 <u>District 30</u>				
Cherokee	1,767	1,014	994	2,008
Clay	407	233	179	412
Graham	347	137	209	346
Haywood	3,077	1,907	1,414	3,321
Jackson	1,264	594	783	1,377
Macon	1,390	729	818	1,547
Swain	1,020	523	601	1,124
District Totals	9,272	5,137	4,998	10,135
State Totals	488,494	199,414	327,930	527,344

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CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 1</u>						
Camden	25	163	188	168	89.4%	20
Chowan	35	590	625	583	93.3%	42
Currituck	65	362	427	388	90.9%	39
Dare	358	2,523	2,881	2,410	83.7%	471
Gates	8	312	320	293	91.6%	27
Pasquotank	154	2,163	2,317	2,132	92.0%	185
Perquimans	39	464	503	461	91.7%	42
District Totals	684	6,577	7,261	6,435	88.6%	826
<u>District 2</u>						
Beaufort	227	3,063	3,290	2,975	90.4%	315
Hyde	10	554	564	497	88.1%	67
Martin	107	1,308	1,415	1,301	91.9%	114
Tyrrell	7	192	199	175	87.9%	24
Washington	37	712	749	713	95.2%	36
District Totals	388	5,829	6,217	5,661	91.1%	556
<u>District 3</u>						
Carteret	836	4,771	5,607	4,627	82.5%	980
Craven	941	6,121	7,062	6,137	86.9%	925
Pamlico	62	714	776	698	89.9%	78
Pitt	1,458	12,062	13,520	12,222	90.4%	1,298
District Totals	3,297	23,668	26,965	23,684	87.8%	3,281
<u>District 4</u>						
Duplin	201	2,522	2,723	2,480	91.1%	243
Jones	51	588	639	604	94.5%	35
Onslow	1,149	11,489	12,638	11,427	90.4%	1,211
Sampson	285	3,134	3,419	3,003	87.8%	416
District Totals	1,686	17,733	19,419	17,514	90.2%	1,905
<u>District 5</u>						
New Hanover	2,051	13,476	15,527	13,261	85.4%	2,266
Pender	254	1,538	1,792	1,512	84.4%	280
District Totals	2,305	15,014	17,319	14,773	85.3%	2,546
<u>District 6</u>						
Bertie	65	1,230	1,295	1,212	93.6%	83
Halifax	578	4,428	5,006	4,327	86.4%	679
Hertford	181	1,782	1,963	1,858	94.7%	105
Northampton	86	953	1,039	961	92.5%	78
District Totals	910	8,393	9,303	8,358	89.8%	945
<u>District 7</u>						
Edgecombe	853	6,071	6,924	5,733	82.8%	1,191
Nash	979	7,584	8,563	7,333	85.6%	1,230
Wilson	989	5,615	6,604	5,273	79.8%	1,331
District Totals	2,821	19,270	22,091	18,339	83.0%	3,752
<u>District 8</u>						
Greene	103	820	923	690	74.8%	233
Lenoir	694	4,644	5,338	4,490	84.1%	848
Wayne	919	6,419	7,338	6,266	85.4%	1,072
District Totals	1,716	11,883	13,599	11,446	84.2%	2,153

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July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 9</u>						
Franklin	123	1,955	2,078	1,879	90.4%	199
Granville	232	2,119	2,351	2,126	90.4%	225
Person	204	1,762	1,966	1,727	87.8%	239
Vance	477	3,547	4,024	3,743	93.0%	281
Warren	84	1,000	1,084	969	89.4%	115
District Totals	1,120	10,383	11,503	10,444	90.8%	1,059
<u>District 10</u>						
Wake	5,803	31,952	37,755	30,132	79.8%	7,623
<u>District 11</u>						
Harnett	440	4,124	4,564	4,003	87.7%	561
Johnston	635	5,333	5,968	5,227	87.6%	741
Lee	363	3,990	4,353	3,937	90.4%	416
District Totals	1,438	13,447	14,885	13,167	88.5%	1,718
<u>District 12</u>						
Cumberland	4,637	20,031	24,668	20,120	81.6%	4,548
Hoke	295	1,795	2,090	1,791	85.7%	299
District Totals	4,932	21,826	26,758	21,911	81.9%	4,847
<u>District 13</u>						
Bladen	270	2,236	2,506	2,160	86.2%	346
Brunswick	444	2,964	3,408	2,916	85.6%	492
Columbus	402	3,381	3,783	3,314	87.6%	469
District Totals	1,116	8,581	9,697	8,390	86.5%	1,307
<u>District 14</u>						
Durham	3,872	16,094	19,966	15,450	77.4%	4,516
<u>District 15A</u>						
Alamance	736	6,697	7,433	6,515	87.6%	918
<u>District 15B</u>						
Chatham	291	1,838	2,129	1,888	88.7%	241
Orange	630	4,291	4,921	4,191	85.2%	730
District Totals	921	6,129	7,050	6,079	86.2%	971
<u>District 16</u>						
Robeson	848	10,855	11,703	10,608	90.6%	1,095
Scotland	327	4,032	4,359	4,039	92.7%	320
District Totals	1,175	14,887	16,062	14,647	91.2%	1,415
<u>District 17A</u>						
Caswell	61	934	995	889	89.3%	106
Rockingham	550	4,951	5,501	4,884	88.8%	617
District Totals	611	5,885	6,496	5,773	88.9%	723
<u>District 17B</u>						
Stokes	112	1,258	1,370	1,178	86.0%	192
Surry	477	3,719	4,196	3,710	88.4%	486
District Totals	589	4,977	5,566	4,888	87.8%	678

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July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 18</u>						
Guilford	9,117	31,548	40,665	29,840	73.4%	10,825
<u>District 19A</u>						
Cabarrus	615	5,297	5,912	5,280	89.3%	632
Rowan	573	5,154	5,727	5,156	90.0%	571
District Totals	1,188	10,451	11,639	10,436	89.7%	1,203
<u>District 19B</u>						
Montgomery	405	2,162	2,567	2,213	86.2%	354
Randolph	817	5,598	6,415	5,337	83.2%	1,078
District Totals	1,222	7,760	8,982	7,550	84.1%	1,432
<u>District 20</u>						
Anson	199	1,780	1,979	1,785	90.2%	194
Moore	568	4,151	4,719	4,209	89.2%	510
Richmond	226	3,231	3,457	3,171	91.7%	286
Stanly	206	2,410	2,616	2,364	90.4%	252
Union	502	4,839	5,341	4,642	86.9%	699
District Totals	1,701	16,411	18,112	16,171	89.3%	1,941
<u>District 21</u>						
Forsyth	2,614	19,350	21,964	18,114	82.5%	3,850
<u>District 22</u>						
Alexander	172	1,263	1,435	1,261	87.9%	174
Davidson	1,085	7,664	8,749	7,457	85.2%	1,292
Davie	119	1,046	1,165	967	83.0%	198
Iredell	913	6,560	7,473	6,528	87.4%	945
District Totals	2,289	16,533	18,822	16,213	86.1%	2,609
<u>District 23</u>						
Alleghany	39	360	399	370	92.7%	29
Ashe	68	722	790	724	91.6%	66
Wilkes	393	3,757	4,150	3,625	87.3%	525
Yadkin	54	857	911	832	91.3%	79
District Totals	554	5,696	6,250	5,551	88.8%	699
<u>District 24</u>						
Avery	173	651	824	635	77.1%	189
Madison	137	538	675	531	78.7%	144
Mitchell	91	484	575	477	83.0%	98
Watauga	190	1,338	1,528	1,250	81.8%	278
Yancey	59	307	366	328	89.6%	38
District Totals	650	3,318	3,968	3,221	81.2%	747
<u>District 25</u>						
Burke	584	4,215	4,799	4,334	90.3%	465
Caldwell	552	4,169	4,721	3,942	83.5%	779
Catawba	986	7,139	8,125	6,957	85.6%	1,168
District Totals	2,122	15,523	17,645	15,233	86.3%	2,412
<u>District 26</u>						
Mecklenburg	9,154	40,274	49,428	39,780	80.5%	9,648

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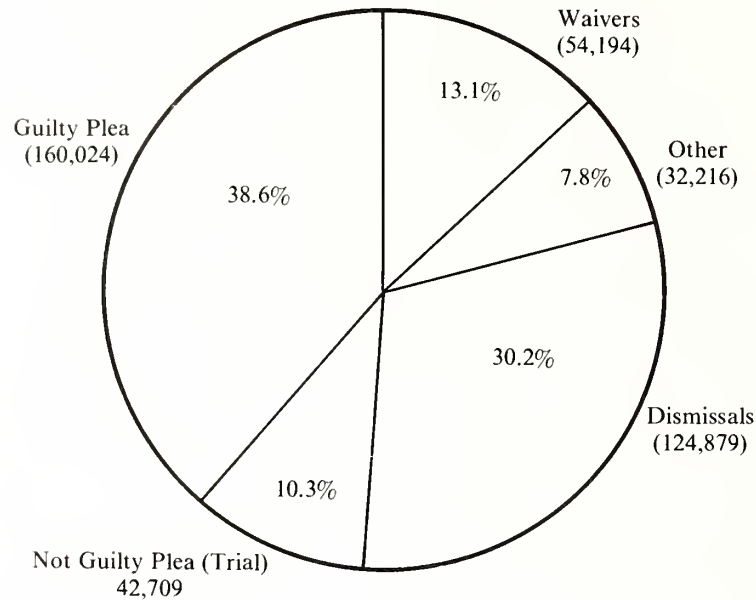
July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Begin Pending 7/1/86	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/87
<u>District 27A</u>						
Gaston	3,099	14,614	17,713	14,417	81.4%	3,296
<u>District 27B</u>						
Cleveland	584	4,610	5,194	4,665	89.8%	529
Lincoln	406	3,294	3,700	3,370	91.1%	330
District Totals	990	7,904	8,894	8,035	90.3%	859
<u>District 28</u>						
Buncombe	1,574	12,827	14,401	12,718	88.3%	1,683
<u>District 29</u>						
Henderson	585	3,129	3,714	3,150	84.8%	564
McDowell	201	1,577	1,778	1,477	83.1%	301
Polk	84	574	658	554	84.2%	104
Rutherford	816	3,553	4,369	3,241	74.2%	1,128
Transylvania	305	1,525	1,830	1,545	84.4%	285
District Totals	1,991	10,358	12,349	9,967	80.7%	2,382
<u>District 30</u>						
Cherokee	464	1,246	1,710	879	51.4%	831
Clay	35	258	293	258	88.1%	35
Graham	34	358	392	359	91.6%	33
Haywood	263	2,354	2,617	2,240	85.6%	377
Jackson	72	845	917	834	90.9%	83
Macon	129	670	799	676	84.6%	123
Swain	46	608	654	601	91.9%	53
District Totals	1,043	6,339	7,382	5,847	79.2%	1,535
State Totals	75,428	468,131	543,559	456,699	84.0%	86,860

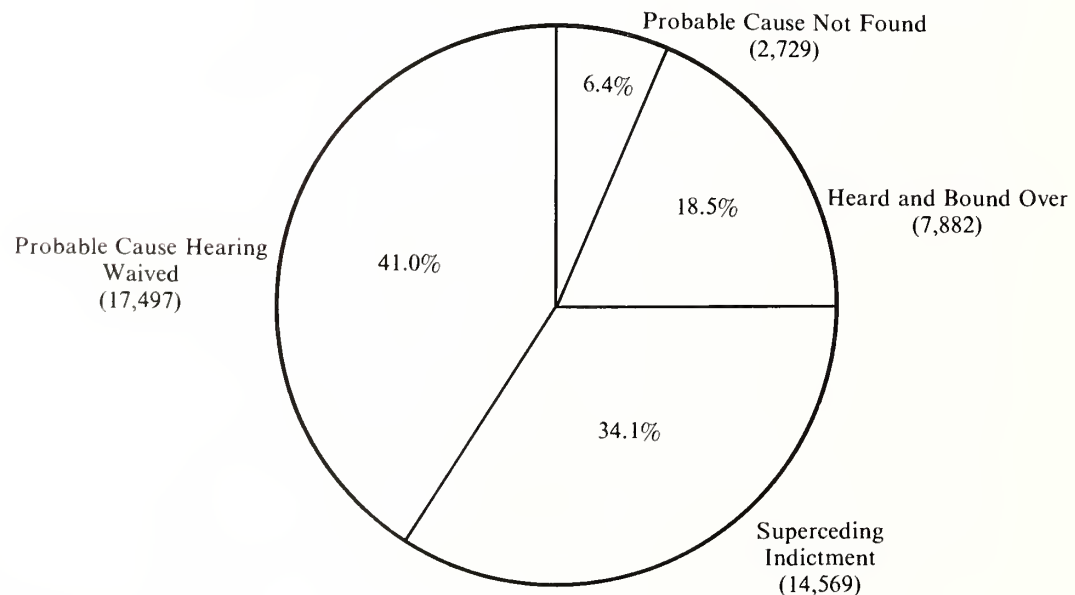
MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF DISTRICT COURT CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES

July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

MISDEMEANORS



FELONY PROBABLE CAUSE MATTERS



Guilty pleas predominate in the disposition of criminal non-motor vehicle cases in the district courts. The waivers referred to in the upper chart are waivers of trial in worthless check cases where the defendant pleads guilty before a magistrate. The "Other" category includes changes of venue, waivers of extradition, findings of no probable cause at initial appearance, and dismissals by

the court. The number of district court felony cases superceded by indictment increased from 10,939 last year to 14,569 this year, or from 28.1% of all district court felony dispositions to 34.1%. A felony charge in district court is superceded when the grand jury returns a true bill of indictment to the superior court before a probable cause hearing is held.

**MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CRIMINAL
NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE
DISTRICT COURTS
July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987**

	Worthless Check Waiver	Guilty Plea		Not Guilty Plea	Dismissed by DA	Other	Felony Probable Cause Matters	Total Disposed
		Judge	Magistrate					
<u>District 1</u>								
Camden	0	54	26	18	16	42	12	168
Chowan	8	312	34	84	97	4	44	583
Currituck	11	115	37	76	84	35	30	388
Dare	143	1,180	123	192	459	104	209	2,410
Gates	20	105	0	40	40	48	40	293
Pasquotank	117	709	45	523	368	150	220	2,132
Perquimans	3	187	29	90	113	5	34	461
District Totals	302	2,662	294	1,023	1,177	388	589	6,435
% of Total	4.7%	41.4%	4.6%	15.9%	18.3%	6.0%	9.2%	100.0%
<u>District 2</u>								
Beaufort	165	944	676	437	312	136	305	2,975
Hyde	2	127	161	89	44	34	40	497
Martin	244	455	22	191	148	89	152	1,301
Tyrrell	4	50	31	29	17	15	29	175
Washington	148	168	68	143	58	45	83	713
District Totals	563	1,744	958	889	579	319	609	5,661
% of Total	9.9%	30.8%	16.9%	15.7%	10.2%	5.6%	10.8%	100.0%
<u>District 3</u>								
Carteret	558	1,383	551	140	1,696	151	148	4,627
Craven	1,034	2,100	354	408	1,495	326	420	6,137
Pamlico	38	218	131	80	157	10	64	698
Pitt	3,139	3,779	335	677	2,801	476	1,015	12,222
District Totals	4,769	7,480	1,371	1,305	6,149	963	1,647	23,684
% of Total	20.1%	31.6%	5.8%	5.5%	26.0%	4.1%	7.0%	100.0%
<u>District 4</u>								
Duplin	508	500	21	398	484	81	488	2,480
Jones	28	125	1	116	112	139	83	604
Onslow	2,504	4,525	240	484	1,474	830	1,370	11,427
Sampson	698	1,109	14	76	652	105	349	3,003
District Totals	3,738	6,259	276	1,074	2,722	1,155	2,290	17,514
% of Total	21.3%	35.7%	1.6%	6.1%	15.5%	6.6%	13.1%	100.0%
<u>District 5</u>								
New Hanover	1,067	5,143	489	1,176	2,853	661	1,872	13,261
Pender	27	701	34	132	367	35	216	1,512
District Totals	1,094	5,844	523	1,308	3,220	696	2,088	14,773
% of Total	7.4%	39.6%	3.5%	8.9%	21.8%	4.7%	14.1%	100.0%
<u>District 6</u>								
Bertie	54	464	29	131	179	278	77	1,212
Halifax	309	1,745	275	531	983	262	222	4,327
Hertford	180	864	3	92	256	290	173	1,858
Northampton	91	336	34	169	107	140	84	961
District Totals	634	3,409	341	923	1,525	970	556	8,358
% of Total	7.6%	40.8%	4.1%	11.0%	18.2%	11.6%	6.7%	100.0%
<u>District 7</u>								
Edgecombe	976	1,279	140	1,352	1,365	333	288	5,733
Nash	1,770	2,279	335	632	1,477	382	458	7,333
Wilson	860	1,961	191	468	1,158	240	395	5,273
District Totals	3,606	5,519	666	2,452	4,000	955	1,141	18,339
% of Total	19.7%	30.1%	3.6%	13.4%	21.8%	5.2%	6.2%	100.0%

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<u>District 8</u>								
Greene	66	160	45	67	200	103	49	690
Lenoir	318	1,295	223	450	1,546	365	293	4,490
Wayne	1,043	1,619	71	345	2,326	465	397	6,266
District Totals	1,427	3,074	339	862	4,072	933	739	11,446
% of Total	12.5%	26.9%	3.0%	7.5%	35.6%	8.2%	6.5%	100.0%
<u>District 9</u>								
Franklin	329	624	113	222	267	150	174	1,879
Granville	302	772	17	255	316	258	206	2,126
Person	201	489	195	241	266	139	196	1,727
Vance	433	1,184	218	498	770	400	240	3,743
Warren	72	236	28	219	199	142	73	969
District Totals	1,337	3,305	571	1,435	1,818	1,089	889	10,444
% of Total	12.8%	31.6%	5.5%	13.7%	17.4%	10.4%	8.5%	100.0%
<u>District 10</u>								
Wake	6,064	8,139	1,316	1,617	8,784	1,108	3,104	30,132
% of Total	20.1%	27.0%	4.4%	5.4%	29.2%	3.7%	10.3%	100.0%
<u>District 11</u>								
Harnett	870	852	54	782	682	445	318	4,003
Johnston	1,066	1,790	146	463	921	581	260	5,227
Lee	909	1,290	12	453	700	298	275	3,937
District Totals	2,845	3,932	212	1,698	2,303	1,324	853	13,167
% of Total	21.6%	29.9%	1.6%	12.9%	17.5%	10.1%	6.5%	100.0%
<u>District 12</u>								
Cumberland	4,862	6,052	143	1,499	5,735	513	1,316	20,120
Hoke	285	12	1	949	315	118	111	1,791
District Totals	5,147	6,064	144	2,448	6,050	631	1,427	21,911
% of Total	23.5%	27.7%	0.7%	11.2%	27.6%	2.9%	6.5%	100.0%
<u>District 13</u>								
Bladen	239	520	54	505	644	136	62	2,160
Brunswick	134	1,049	339	332	848	40	174	2,916
Columbus	625	1,076	9	363	808	270	163	3,314
District Totals	998	2,645	402	1,200	2,300	446	399	8,390
% of Total	11.9%	31.5%	4.8%	14.3%	27.4%	5.3%	4.8%	100.0%
<u>District 14</u>								
Durham	1,285	5,741	7	1,010	4,660	1,321	1,426	15,450
% of Total	8.3%	37.2%	.0%	6.5%	30.2%	8.6%	9.2%	100.0%
<u>District 15A</u>								
Alamance	416	2,827	253	678	1,119	441	781	6,515
% of Total	6.4%	43.4%	3.9%	10.4%	17.2%	6.8%	12.0%	100.0%
<u>District 15B</u>								
Chatham	193	433	544	93	428	52	145	1,888
Orange	603	1,053	154	199	1,499	234	449	4,191
District Totals	796	1,486	698	292	1,927	286	594	6,079
% of Total	13.1%	24.4%	11.5%	4.8%	31.7%	4.7%	9.8%	100.0%
<u>District 16</u>								
Robeson	1,353	4,328	317	1,471	648	1,148	1,343	10,608
Scotland	521	1,558	62	506	412	582	398	4,039
District Totals	1,874	5,886	379	1,977	1,060	1,730	1,741	14,647
% of Total	12.8%	40.2%	2.6%	13.5%	7.2%	11.8%	11.9%	100.0%

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<u>District 17A</u>								
Caswell	52	197	102	240	130	112	56	889
Rockingham	247	1,578	226	898	579	577	779	4,884
District Totals	299	1,775	328	1,138	709	689	835	5,773
% of Total	5.2%	30.7%	5.7%	19.7%	12.3%	11.9%	14.5%	100.0%
<u>District 17B</u>								
Stokes	105	244	21	139	307	157	205	1,178
Surry	225	1,177	227	516	794	249	522	3,710
District Totals	330	1,421	248	655	1,101	406	727	4,888
% of Total	6.8%	29.1%	5.1%	13.4%	22.5%	8.3%	14.9%	100.0%
<u>District 18</u>								
Guilford	1,504	9,587	1,291	2,104	10,609	1,499	3,246	29,840
% of Total	5.0%	32.1%	4.3%	7.1%	35.6%	5.0%	10.9%	100.0%
<u>District 19A</u>								
Cabarrus	625	1,430	176	710	997	367	975	5,280
Rowan	485	1,405	101	729	975	579	882	5,156
District Totals	1,110	2,835	277	1,439	1,972	946	1,857	10,436
% of Total	10.6%	27.2%	2.7%	13.8%	18.9%	9.1%	17.8%	100.0%
<u>District 19B</u>								
Montgomery	177	516	1	343	533	532	111	2,213
Randolph	763	1,627	56	581	1,548	242	520	5,337
District Totals	940	2,143	57	924	2,081	774	631	7,550
% of Total	12.5%	28.4%	0.8%	12.2%	27.6%	10.3%	8.4%	100.0%
<u>District 20</u>								
Anson	95	6	167	814	429	109	165	1,785
Moore	789	827	152	362	1,017	507	555	4,209
Richmond	224	923	42	564	753	277	388	3,171
Stanly	365	632	285	345	409	137	191	2,364
Union	715	1,344	136	684	973	335	455	4,642
District Totals	2,188	3,732	782	2,769	3,581	1,365	1,754	16,171
% of Total	13.5%	23.1%	4.8%	17.1%	22.1%	8.4%	10.8%	100.0%
<u>District 21</u>								
Forsyth	1,693	6,147	1	2,268	4,960	882	2,163	18,114
% of Total	9.3%	33.9%	.0%	12.5%	27.4%	4.9%	11.9%	100.0%
<u>District 22</u>								
Alexander	96	293	15	146	438	203	70	1,261
Davidson	304	2,152	247	629	3,131	500	494	7,457
Davie	81	302	0	88	315	138	43	967
Iredell	617	1,988	246	528	2,189	599	361	6,528
District Totals	1,098	4,735	508	1,391	6,073	1,440	968	16,213
% of Total	6.8%	29.2%	3.1%	8.6%	37.5%	8.9%	6.0%	100.0%
<u>District 23</u>								
Alleghany	16	40	13	166	75	34	26	370
Ashe	91	190	4	139	11	192	97	724
Wilkes	391	1,337	38	697	632	325	205	3,625
Yadkin	50	268	3	167	126	119	99	832
District Totals	548	1,835	58	1,169	844	670	427	5,551
% of Total	9.9%	33.1%	1.0%	21.1%	15.2%	12.1%	7.7%	100.0%

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<u>District 24</u>								
Avery	48	44	19	127	295	73	29	635
Madison	12	66	13	69	235	98	38	531
Mitchell	39	53	27	39	166	77	76	477
Watauga	255	189	38	110	389	107	162	1,250
Yancey	29	10	40	90	109	28	22	328
District Totals	383	362	137	435	1,194	383	327	3,221
% of Total	11.9%	11.2%	4.3%	13.5%	37.1%	11.9%	10.2%	100.0%
<u>District 25</u>								
Burke	391	1,237	32	264	1,309	573	528	4,334
Caldwell	275	1,137	349	303	1,034	347	497	3,942
Catawba	684	2,121	177	487	1,736	755	997	6,957
District Totals	1,350	4,495	558	1,054	4,079	1,675	2,022	15,233
% of Total	8.9%	29.5%	3.7%	6.9%	26.8%	11.0%	13.3%	100.0%
<u>District 26</u>								
Mecklenburg	1,437	12,146	255	1,884	18,472	3,028	2,558	39,780
% of Total	3.6%	30.5%	0.6%	4.7%	46.4%	7.6%	6.4%	100.0%
<u>District 27A</u>								
Gaston	590	3,686	539	994	5,885	1,242	1,481	14,417
% of Total	4.1%	25.6%	3.7%	6.9%	40.8%	8.6%	10.3%	100.0%
<u>District 27B</u>								
Cleveland	278	1,410	255	370	1,569	515	268	4,665
Lincoln	453	1,011	131	181	1,097	273	224	3,370
District Totals	731	2,421	386	551	2,666	788	492	8,035
% of Total	9.1%	30.1%	4.8%	6.9%	33.2%	9.8%	6.1%	100.0%
<u>District 28</u>								
Buncombe	2,112	6,116	176	542	2,789	263	720	12,718
% of Total	16.6%	48.1%	1.4%	4.3%	21.9%	2.1%	5.7%	100.0%
<u>District 29</u>								
Henderson	284	1,209	181	137	946	178	215	3,150
McDowell	74	390	245	219	267	46	236	1,477
Polk	16	215	9	24	173	70	47	554
Rutherford	150	1,010	233	462	561	480	345	3,241
Transylvania	53	703	161	26	438	51	113	1,545
District Totals	577	3,527	829	868	2,385	825	956	9,967
% of Total	5.8%	35.4%	8.3%	8.7%	23.9%	8.3%	9.6%	100.0%
<u>District 30</u>								
Cherokee	156	254	1	5	313	148	2	879
Clay	29	70	64	12	62	2	19	258
Graham	1	99	47	60	134	1	17	359
Haywood	144	583	81	154	940	89	249	2,240
Jackson	39	199	79	33	188	126	170	834
Macon	26	173	3	32	154	200	88	676
Swain	14	105	107	37	223	20	95	601
District Totals	409	1,483	382	333	2,014	586	640	5,847
% of Total	7.0%	25.4%	6.5%	5.7%	34.4%	10.0%	10.9%	100.0%
State Totals	54,194	144,462	15,562	42,709	124,879	32,216	42,677	456,699
% of Total	11.9%	31.6%	3.4%	9.4%	27.3%	7.1%	9.3%	100.0%

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	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
<u>District 1</u>									
Camden	19	1	0	0	0	0	20	24.8	20.0
Chowan	30	4	5	2	1	0	42	67.9	22.0
Currituck	34	1	1	3	0	0	39	45.0	35.0
Dare	443	6	10	8	4	0	471	32.9	15.0
Gates	27	0	0	0	0	0	27	21.1	20.0
Pasquotank	153	6	3	23	0	0	185	54.4	20.0
Perquimans	35	1	1	4	1	0	42	48.3	14.0
District Totals	741	19	20	40	6	0	826	40.2	19.0
% of Total	89.7%	2.3%	2.4%	4.8%	0.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 2</u>									
Beaufort	183	10	36	70	16	0	315	118.8	46.0
Hyde	61	0	1	4	1	0	67	40.3	13.0
Martin	99	0	5	4	1	5	114	88.2	29.0
Tyrrell	23	1	0	0	0	0	24	19.2	8.0
Washington	31	4	1	0	0	0	36	34.4	22.0
District Totals	397	15	43	78	18	5	556	93.3	28.0
% of Total	71.4%	2.7%	7.7%	14.0%	3.2%	0.9%	100.0%		
<u>District 3</u>									
Carteret	634	64	90	125	62	5	980	109.7	50.0
Craven	637	78	85	89	23	13	925	94.5	42.0
Pamlico	48	5	9	14	2	0	78	87.8	43.0
Pitt	1,059	95	98	46	0	0	1,298	50.8	32.0
District Totals	2,378	242	282	274	87	18	3,281	81.6	41.0
% of Total	72.5%	7.4%	8.6%	8.4%	2.7%	0.5%	100.0%		
<u>District 4</u>									
Duplin	221	6	12	4	0	0	243	38.1	21.0
Jones	23	4	2	5	1	0	35	83.5	50.0
Onslow	980	61	110	55	5	0	1,211	53.8	29.0
Sampson	342	33	24	17	0	0	416	50.7	34.0
District Totals	1,566	104	148	81	6	0	1,905	51.6	29.0
% of Total	82.2%	5.5%	7.8%	4.3%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 5</u>									
New Hanover	1,410	137	137	272	203	107	2,266	162.5	50.0
Pender	182	24	12	22	31	9	280	139.1	49.0
District Totals	1,592	161	149	294	234	116	2,546	159.9	50.0
% of Total	62.5%	6.3%	5.9%	11.5%	9.2%	4.6%	100.0%		
<u>District 6</u>									
Bertie	76	1	5	1	0	0	83	32.0	21.0
Halifax	482	58	107	27	5	0	679	63.6	32.0
Hertford	94	0	5	4	2	0	105	43.8	19.0
Northampton	68	0	3	3	4	0	78	63.2	22.0
District Totals	720	59	120	35	11	0	945	58.6	29.0
% of Total	76.2%	6.2%	12.7%	3.7%	1.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 7</u>									
Edgecombe	770	85	111	185	38	2	1,191	97.9	57.0
Nash	908	81	119	75	44	3	1,230	80.0	39.0
Wilson	778	160	121	194	56	22	1,331	112.9	62.0
District Totals	2,456	326	351	454	138	27	3,752	97.3	50.0
% of Total	65.5%	8.7%	9.4%	12.1%	3.7%	0.7%	100.0%		

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<u>District 8</u>									
Greene	74	14	36	71	35	3	233	206.8	162.0
Lenoir	608	81	84	59	15	1	848	74.0	43.0
Wayne	784	111	111	57	9	0	1,072	65.2	42.0
District Totals	1,466	206	231	187	59	4	2,153	84.0	48.0
% of Total	68.1%	9.6%	10.7%	8.7%	2.7%	0.2%	100.0%		
<u>District 9</u>									
Franklin	145	14	14	18	8	0	199	80.8	42.0
Granville	171	16	2	30	6	0	225	74.8	22.0
Person	176	13	7	38	5	0	239	79.8	27.0
Vance	179	23	18	42	17	2	281	112.9	54.0
Warren	74	6	8	8	13	6	115	158.5	67.0
District Totals	745	72	49	136	49	8	1,059	96.2	39.0
% of Total	70.3%	6.8%	4.6%	12.8%	4.6%	0.8%	100.0%		
<u>District 10</u>									
Wake	4,252	688	768	1,205	456	254	7,623	154.0	81.0
% of Total	55.8%	9.0%	10.1%	15.8%	6.0%	3.3%	100.0%		
<u>District 11</u>									
Harnett	401	45	52	25	17	21	561	132.6	34.0
Johnston	579	50	66	41	5	0	741	60.7	34.0
Lee	354	26	24	12	0	0	416	39.3	19.0
District Totals	1,334	121	142	78	22	21	1,718	79.0	30.0
% of Total	77.6%	7.0%	8.3%	4.5%	1.3%	1.2%	100.0%		
<u>District 12</u>									
Cumberland	2,812	423	551	629	125	8	4,548	98.2	63.0
Hoke	225	20	8	22	20	4	299	96.3	33.0
District Totals	3,037	443	559	651	145	12	4,847	98.0	61.0
% of Total	62.7%	9.1%	11.5%	13.4%	3.0%	0.2%	100.0%		
<u>District 13</u>									
Bladen	314	10	11	5	6	0	346	46.7	28.0
Brunswick	380	27	22	46	16	1	492	77.1	34.0
Columbus	399	22	11	27	9	1	469	63.3	29.0
District Totals	1,093	59	44	78	31	2	1,307	64.1	28.0
% of Total	83.6%	4.5%	3.4%	6.0%	2.4%	0.2%	100.0%		
<u>District 14</u>									
Durham	2,242	428	349	624	486	387	4,516	212.4	92.0
% of Total	49.6%	9.5%	7.7%	13.8%	10.8%	8.6%	100.0%		
<u>District 15A</u>									
Alamance	706	59	63	72	17	1	918	70.9	40.0
% of Total	76.9%	6.4%	6.9%	7.8%	1.9%	0.1%	100.0%		
<u>District 15B</u>									
Chatham	197	17	5	16	6	0	241	63.3	33.0
Orange	516	74	59	49	11	21	730	123.8	39.0
District Totals	713	91	64	65	17	21	971	108.8	35.0
% of Total	73.4%	9.4%	6.6%	6.7%	1.8%	2.2%	100.0%		
<u>District 16</u>									
Robeson	857	70	89	59	19	1	1,095	65.8	32.0
Scotland	242	15	34	18	5	6	320	90.7	29.0
District Totals	1,099	85	123	77	24	7	1,415	71.4	32.0
% of Total	77.7%	6.0%	8.7%	5.4%	1.7%	0.5%	100.0%		

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<u>District 17A</u>									
Caswell	93	7	0	5	1	0	106	37.3	21.0
Rockingham	523	25	12	52	5	0	617	53.6	20.0
District Totals	616	32	12	57	6	0	723	51.2	21.0
% of Total	85.2%	4.4%	1.7%	7.9%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 17B</u>									
Stokes	149	30	7	6	0	0	192	56.7	48.0
Surry	427	33	22	3	1	0	486	40.7	25.0
District Totals	576	63	29	9	1	0	678	45.2	28.0
% of Total	85.0%	9.3%	4.3%	1.3%	0.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 18</u>									
Guilford	5,536	1,077	1,112	2,002	1,010	88	10,825	141.9	85.0
% of Total	51.1%	9.9%	10.3%	18.5%	9.3%	0.8%	100.0%		
<u>District 19A</u>									
Cabarrus	539	26	17	40	10	0	632	54.0	29.0
Rowan	482	29	25	25	10	0	571	50.4	20.0
District Totals	1,021	55	42	65	20	0	1,203	52.3	26.0
% of Total	84.9%	4.6%	3.5%	5.4%	1.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 19B</u>									
Montgomery	283	19	14	20	15	3	354	76.1	28.0
Randolph	762	70	81	85	78	2	1,078	95.3	48.0
District Totals	1,045	89	95	105	93	5	1,432	90.5	40.0
% of Total	73.0%	6.2%	6.6%	7.3%	6.5%	0.3%	100.0%		
<u>District 20</u>									
Anson	169	4	8	10	3	0	194	49.3	20.0
Moore	427	24	22	16	17	4	510	61.1	18.0
Richmond	205	21	13	39	6	2	286	89.1	26.0
Stanly	241	1	3	6	1	0	252	30.8	18.0
Union	451	22	59	94	28	45	699	251.7	43.0
District Totals	1,493	72	105	165	55	51	1,941	128.8	25.0
% of Total	76.9%	3.7%	5.4%	8.5%	2.8%	2.6%	100.0%		
<u>District 21</u>									
Forsyth	1,814	164	272	506	580	514	3,850	273.1	109.0
% of Total	47.1%	4.3%	7.1%	13.1%	15.1%	13.4%	100.0%		
<u>District 22</u>									
Alexander	133	8	11	22	0	0	174	75.8	48.0
Davidson	939	81	74	101	92	5	1,292	96.8	35.0
Davie	115	15	26	38	4	0	198	113.4	70.0
Iredell	755	55	38	56	28	13	945	80.5	40.0
District Totals	1,942	159	149	217	124	18	2,609	90.7	41.0
% of Total	74.4%	6.1%	5.7%	8.3%	4.8%	0.7%	100.0%		
<u>District 23</u>									
Alleghany	24	1	0	4	0	0	29	50.9	15.0
Ashe	39	5	7	4	4	7	66	220.7	48.0
Wilkes	314	36	31	54	42	48	525	188.3	53.0
Yadkin	71	4	1	3	0	0	79	36.1	22.0
District Totals	448	46	39	65	46	55	699	168.4	39.0
% of Total	64.1%	6.6%	5.6%	9.3%	6.6%	7.9%	100.0%		

AGES OF PENDING CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1987

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 24									
Avery	77	14	26	49	20	3	189	174.5	134.0
Madison	78	11	29	13	11	2	144	132.7	70.0
Mitchell	65	5	8	10	9	1	98	123.5	36.0
Watauga	181	25	19	45	8	0	278	97.0	64.0
Yancey	32	2	4	0	0	0	38	52.5	49.0
District Totals	433	57	86	117	48	6	747	124.7	64.0
% of Total	58.0%	7.6%	11.5%	15.7%	6.4%	0.8%	100.0%		
District 25									
Burke	399	15	22	26	2	1	465	51.2	27.0
Caldwell	623	47	39	68	1	1	779	57.6	22.0
Catawba	861	116	116	61	2	12	1,168	78.0	40.0
District Totals	1,883	178	177	155	5	14	2,412	66.2	33.0
% of Total	78.1%	7.4%	7.3%	6.4%	0.2%	0.6%	100.0%		
District 26									
Mecklenburg	5,038	999	1,277	1,485	676	173	9,648	140.2	84.0
% of Total	52.2%	10.4%	13.2%	15.4%	7.0%	1.8%	100.0%		
District 27A									
Gaston	2,403	293	177	264	113	46	3,296	97.5	41.0
% of Total	72.9%	8.9%	5.4%	8.0%	3.4%	1.4%	100.0%		
District 27B									
Cleveland	441	38	13	28	4	5	529	61.5	28.0
Lincoln	280	20	5	12	7	6	330	69.1	26.0
District Totals	721	58	18	40	11	11	859	64.4	27.0
% of Total	83.9%	6.8%	2.1%	4.7%	1.3%	1.3%	100.0%		
District 28									
Buncombe	1,333	109	154	73	14	0	1,683	53.4	25.0
% of Total	79.2%	6.5%	9.2%	4.3%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 29									
Henderson	371	42	32	51	49	19	564	139.1	43.0
McDowell	233	10	16	25	16	1	301	83.7	33.0
Polk	78	3	12	9	0	2	104	79.3	40.0
Rutherford	613	80	79	177	136	43	1,128	175.6	68.0
Transylvania	181	67	12	17	8	0	285	78.5	56.0
District Totals	1,476	202	151	279	209	65	2,382	139.5	49.0
% of Total	62.0%	8.5%	6.3%	11.7%	8.8%	2.7%	100.0%		
District 30									
Cherokee	254	120	62	169	193	33	831	253.7	146.0
Clay	28	0	1	4	2	0	35	73.6	15.0
Graham	29	2	1	1	0	0	33	42.9	19.0
Haywood	277	10	40	27	21	2	377	87.8	34.0
Jackson	65	4	2	6	4	2	83	88.8	39.0
Macon	55	9	5	23	5	26	123	381.8	111.0
Swain	38	3	2	7	2	1	53	105.4	39.0
District Totals	746	148	113	237	227	64	1,535	200.5	92.0
% of Total	48.6%	9.6%	7.4%	15.4%	14.8%	4.2%	100.0%		
State Totals	55,061	6,979	7,513	10,270	5,044	1,993	86,860	124.6	54.0
% of Total	63.4%	8.0%	8.6%	11.8%	5.8%	2.3%	100.0%		

AGES OF DISPOSED CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1986 — June 30, 1987

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
<u>District 1</u>									
Camden	158	5	2	3	0	0	168	29.2	20.0
Chowan	556	13	4	8	2	0	583	26.9	18.0
Currituck	364	7	6	9	2	0	388	37.7	23.0
Dare	2,195	73	64	32	46	0	2,410	41.2	23.0
Gates	281	2	7	3	0	0	293	30.2	22.0
Pasquotank	2,030	51	30	15	5	1	2,132	29.3	20.0
Perquimans	417	8	16	10	10	0	461	44.2	22.0
District Totals	6,001	159	129	80	65	1	6,435	35.2	21.0
% of Total	93.3%	2.5%	2.0%	1.2%	1.0%	.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 2</u>									
Beaufort	2,878	32	19	23	18	5	2,975	25.7	13.0
Hyde	492	4	0	1	0	0	497	21.1	16.0
Martin	1,187	32	26	29	16	11	1,301	41.1	13.0
Tyrrell	171	4	0	0	0	0	175	20.3	16.0
Washington	690	10	0	12	1	0	713	20.1	13.0
District Totals	5,418	82	45	65	35	16	5,661	28.0	14.0
% of Total	95.7%	1.4%	0.8%	1.1%	0.6%	0.3%	100.0%		
<u>District 3</u>									
Carteret	3,620	326	348	297	36	0	4,627	60.0	33.0
Craven	5,098	365	361	257	51	5	6,137	49.7	24.0
Pamlico	624	28	31	9	6	0	698	37.8	17.0
Pitt	10,396	698	588	503	37	0	12,222	48.6	28.0
District Totals	19,738	1,417	1,328	1,066	130	5	23,684	50.8	28.0
% of Total	83.3%	6.0%	5.6%	4.5%	0.5%	.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 4</u>									
Duplin	2,313	67	44	40	7	9	2,480	35.1	20.0
Jones	563	23	5	7	6	0	604	30.0	15.0
Onslow	10,224	458	466	268	11	0	11,427	36.8	20.0
Sampson	2,702	166	98	34	3	0	3,003	40.0	29.0
District Totals	15,802	714	613	349	27	9	17,514	36.9	22.0
% of Total	90.2%	4.1%	3.5%	2.0%	0.2%	0.1%	100.0%		
<u>District 5</u>									
New Hanover	11,665	527	425	397	212	35	13,261	49.4	24.0
Pender	1,326	59	40	34	47	6	1,512	54.4	24.0
District Totals	12,991	586	465	431	259	41	14,773	49.9	24.0
% of Total	87.9%	4.0%	3.1%	2.9%	1.8%	0.3%	100.0%		
<u>District 6</u>									
Bertie	1,158	20	23	7	4	0	1,212	25.4	15.0
Halifax	3,819	189	111	160	48	0	4,327	45.7	26.0
Hertford	1,768	36	30	15	9	0	1,858	30.2	21.0
Northampton	919	11	19	9	3	0	961	23.6	7.0
District Totals	7,664	256	183	191	64	0	8,358	36.8	21.0
% of Total	91.7%	3.1%	2.2%	2.3%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 7</u>									
Edgecombe	4,662	359	376	266	66	4	5,733	56.7	29.0
Nash	5,922	467	481	407	41	15	7,333	57.1	30.0
Wilson	3,982	425	386	378	90	12	5,273	68.8	35.0
District Totals	14,566	1,251	1,243	1,051	197	31	18,339	60.3	32.0
% of Total	79.4%	6.8%	6.8%	5.7%	1.1%	0.2%	100.0%		

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
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<u>District 8</u>									
Greene	569	49	37	23	12	0	690	53.8	27.0
Lenoir	3,522	356	373	217	22	0	4,490	60.5	38.0
Wayne	4,918	463	516	327	42	0	6,266	60.4	37.0
District Totals	9,009	868	926	567	76	0	11,446	60.0	37.0
% of Total	78.7%	7.6%	8.1%	5.0%	0.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 9</u>									
Franklin	1,702	71	60	44	2	0	1,879	33.7	18.0
Granville	1,941	54	65	47	10	9	2,126	42.7	19.0
Person	1,570	55	55	32	15	0	1,727	40.7	25.0
Vance	3,257	191	140	118	22	15	3,743	44.3	16.0
Warren	899	30	15	20	5	0	969	29.0	14.0
District Totals	9,369	401	335	261	54	24	10,444	40.0	19.0
% of Total	89.7%	3.8%	3.2%	2.5%	0.5%	0.2%	100.0%		
<u>District 10</u>									
Wake	23,476	2,154	1,888	2,141	439	34	30,132	66.3	38.0
% of Total	77.9%	7.1%	6.3%	7.1%	1.5%	0.1%	100.0%		
<u>District 11</u>									
Harnett	3,613	181	102	87	15	5	4,003	37.4	21.0
Johnston	4,706	201	189	127	3	1	5,227	37.9	22.0
Lee	3,572	164	122	62	15	2	3,937	34.2	17.0
District Totals	11,891	546	413	276	33	8	13,167	36.6	20.0
% of Total	90.3%	4.1%	3.1%	2.1%	0.3%	0.1%	100.0%		
<u>District 12</u>									
Cumberland	14,139	1,613	2,084	2,132	146	6	20,120	74.1	39.0
Hoke	1,486	122	107	61	15	0	1,791	53.2	31.0
District Totals	15,625	1,735	2,191	2,193	161	6	21,911	72.3	39.0
% of Total	71.3%	7.9%	10.0%	10.0%	0.7%	.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 13</u>									
Bladen	1,866	89	119	55	28	3	2,160	51.2	27.0
Brunswick	2,457	187	144	103	24	1	2,916	52.4	33.0
Columbus	2,919	176	117	97	4	1	3,314	40.9	24.0
District Totals	7,242	452	380	255	56	5	8,390	47.5	28.0
% of Total	86.3%	5.4%	4.5%	3.0%	0.7%	0.1%	100.0%		
<u>District 14</u>									
Durham	11,166	1,249	1,532	1,106	185	212	15,450	82.2	41.0
% of Total	72.3%	8.1%	9.9%	7.2%	1.2%	1.4%	100.0%		
<u>District 15A</u>									
Alamance	5,955	190	198	95	76	1	6,515	39.6	22.0
% of Total	91.4%	2.9%	3.0%	1.5%	1.2%	.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 15B</u>									
Chatham	1,612	108	80	64	24	0	1,888	48.8	26.0
Orange	3,457	234	210	224	61	5	4,191	57.7	30.0
District Totals	5,069	342	290	288	85	5	6,079	54.9	29.0
% of Total	83.4%	5.6%	4.8%	4.7%	1.4%	0.1%	100.0%		
<u>District 16</u>									
Robeson	9,816	290	357	138	7	0	10,608	29.0	14.0
Scotland	3,798	88	77	36	12	28	4,039	36.6	16.0
District Totals	13,614	378	434	174	19	28	14,647	31.1	15.0
% of Total	92.9%	2.6%	3.0%	1.2%	0.1%	0.2%	100.0%		

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<u>District 17A</u>									
Caswell	860	13	5	7	4	0	889	26.8	19.0
Rockingham	4,592	98	120	63	11	0	4,884	33.0	22.0
District Totals	5,452	111	125	70	15	0	5,773	32.0	22.0
% of Total	94.4%	1.9%	2.2%	1.2%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 17B</u>									
Stokes	1,038	70	51	18	1	0	1,178	43.5	29.0
Surry	3,260	189	207	52	2	0	3,710	47.5	36.0
District Totals	4,298	259	258	70	3	0	4,888	46.5	35.0
% of Total	87.9%	5.3%	5.3%	1.4%	0.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 18</u>									
Guilford	18,647	2,845	3,434	3,774	1,077	63	29,840	99.4	62.0
% of Total	62.5%	9.5%	11.5%	12.6%	3.6%	0.2%	100.0%		
<u>District 19A</u>									
Cabarrus	4,869	191	100	85	35	0	5,280	39.6	27.0
Rowan	4,702	198	149	95	12	0	5,156	38.0	24.0
District Totals	9,571	389	249	180	47	0	10,436	38.8	26.0
% of Total	91.7%	3.7%	2.4%	1.7%	0.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 19B</u>									
Montgomery	1,925	81	90	110	6	1	2,213	45.6	26.0
Randolph	4,688	284	240	108	16	1	5,337	49.1	38.0
District Totals	6,613	365	330	218	22	2	7,550	48.1	34.0
% of Total	87.6%	4.8%	4.4%	2.9%	0.3%	.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 20</u>									
Anson	1,635	83	35	24	8	0	1,785	38.2	23.0
Moore	3,732	123	136	129	87	2	4,209	46.3	21.0
Richmond	3,047	47	61	13	3	0	3,171	26.0	16.0
Stanly	2,242	51	47	20	4	0	2,364	30.5	21.0
Union	4,445	97	58	41	1	0	4,642	29.1	20.0
District Totals	15,101	401	337	227	103	2	16,171	34.2	20.0
% of Total	93.4%	2.5%	2.1%	1.4%	0.6%	.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 21</u>									
Forsyth	17,203	331	247	166	120	47	18,114	35.7	22.0
% of Total	95.0%	1.8%	1.4%	0.9%	0.7%	0.3%	100.0%		
<u>District 22</u>									
Alexander	1,094	78	55	25	8	1	1,261	48.4	31.0
Davidson	6,251	473	321	274	131	7	7,457	58.0	32.0
Davie	858	47	36	13	10	3	967	56.7	31.0
Iredell	5,593	430	295	157	42	11	6,528	51.0	31.0
District Totals	13,796	1,028	707	469	191	22	16,213	54.3	31.0
% of Total	85.1%	6.3%	4.4%	2.9%	1.2%	0.1%	100.0%		
<u>District 23</u>									
Alleghany	331	10	25	3	1	0	370	38.9	25.0
Ashe	681	21	11	9	1	1	724	28.5	15.0
Wilkes	3,302	149	63	60	19	32	3,625	44.1	17.0
Yadkin	765	47	12	8	0	0	832	33.0	21.0
District Totals	5,079	227	111	80	21	33	5,551	40.1	17.0
% of Total	91.5%	4.1%	2.0%	1.4%	0.4%	0.6%	100.0%		

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<u>District 24</u>									
Avery	471	35	34	34	58	3	635	102.5	41.0
Madison	372	47	24	56	31	1	531	96.8	51.0
Mitchell	415	29	14	14	5	0	477	52.3	35.0
Watauga	1,003	78	63	86	18	2	1,250	63.0	34.0
Yancey	268	16	13	22	9	0	328	65.6	40.0
District Totals	2,529	205	148	212	121	6	3,221	75.0	38.0
% of Total	78.5%	6.4%	4.6%	6.6%	3.8%	0.2%	100.0%		
<u>District 25</u>									
Burke	3,580	249	250	225	28	2	4,334	52.8	27.0
Caldwell	3,198	247	198	257	40	2	3,942	59.2	32.0
Catawba	5,933	361	295	353	13	2	6,957	48.9	27.0
District Totals	12,711	857	743	835	81	6	15,233	52.7	28.0
% of Total	83.4%	5.6%	4.9%	5.5%	0.5%	.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 26</u>									
Mecklenburg	26,450	4,482	3,669	3,851	1,114	214	39,780	85.8	42.0
% of Total	66.5%	11.3%	9.2%	9.7%	2.8%	0.5%	100.0%		
<u>District 27A</u>									
Gaston	10,427	1,208	1,475	927	372	8	14,417	80.0	53.0
% of Total	72.3%	8.4%	10.2%	6.4%	2.6%	0.1%	100.0%		
<u>District 27B</u>									
Cleveland	4,281	165	127	83	8	1	4,665	36.5	23.0
Lincoln	3,058	154	57	73	24	4	3,370	43.4	27.0
District Totals	7,339	319	184	156	32	5	8,035	39.4	25.0
% of Total	91.3%	4.0%	2.3%	1.9%	0.4%	0.1%	100.0%		
<u>District 28</u>									
Buncombe	11,273	417	373	520	135	0	12,718	46.6	25.0
% of Total	88.6%	3.3%	2.9%	4.1%	1.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
<u>District 29</u>									
Henderson	2,706	178	130	87	47	2	3,150	53.0	31.0
McDowell	1,312	76	44	34	10	1	1,477	45.2	29.0
Polk	474	43	27	8	1	1	554	43.6	27.0
Rutherford	2,567	253	165	138	106	12	3,241	75.2	39.0
Transylvania	1,217	115	89	82	34	8	1,545	65.6	27.0
District Totals	8,276	665	455	349	198	24	9,967	60.5	33.0
% of Total	83.0%	6.7%	4.6%	3.5%	2.0%	0.2%	100.0%		
<u>District 30</u>									
Cherokee	552	157	87	62	5	16	879	96.8	63.0
Clay	237	9	6	5	1	0	258	34.7	17.0
Graham	289	49	7	13	1	0	359	49.8	32.0
Haywood	1,996	79	80	51	26	8	2,240	47.1	24.0
Jackson	771	15	14	29	1	4	834	37.3	19.0
Macon	590	35	18	25	4	4	676	52.4	27.0
Swain	554	24	20	1	2	0	601	46.9	36.0
District Totals	4,989	368	232	186	40	32	5,847	53.4	29.0
% of Total	85.3%	6.3%	4.0%	3.2%	0.7%	0.5%	100.0%		
State Totals	374,350	27,257	25,670	22,879	5,653	890	456,699	57.3	29.0
% of Total	82.0%	6.0%	5.6%	5.0%	1.2%	0.2%	100.0%		

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<u>District 1</u>				
Camden	770	641	42	683
Chowan	1,002	792	63	855
Currituck	2,179	1,630	74	1,704
Dare	6,051	4,547	363	4,910
Gates	1,263	917	156	1,073
Pasquotank	1,404	1,018	107	1,125
Perquimans	1,086	828	97	925
District Totals	13,755	10,373	902	11,275
<u>District 2</u>				
Beaufort	4,786	3,494	907	4,401
Hyde	583	311	153	464
Martin	3,144	1,808	518	2,326
Tyrrell	1,083	721	141	862
Washington	1,107	769	194	963
District Totals	10,703	7,103	1,913	9,016
<u>District 3</u>				
Carteret	6,518	4,194	798	4,992
Craven	7,465	4,762	1,323	6,085
Pamlico	812	447	202	649
Pitt	10,084	5,966	2,863	8,829
District Totals	24,879	15,369	5,186	20,555
<u>District 4</u>				
Duplin	2,688	1,607	188	1,795
Jones	924	541	188	729
Onslow	7,220	4,408	1,681	6,089
Sampson	5,417	3,152	1,034	4,186
District Totals	16,249	9,708	3,091	12,799
<u>District 5</u>				
New Hanover	10,308	6,075	3,071	9,146
Pender	2,069	1,021	518	1,539
District Totals	12,377	7,096	3,589	10,685
<u>District 6</u>				
Bertie	2,629	1,812	385	2,197
Halifax	7,782	3,945	624	4,569
Hertford	2,119	1,443	501	1,944
Northampton	2,810	2,256	419	2,675
District Totals	15,340	9,456	1,929	11,385
<u>District 7</u>				
Edgecombe	4,907	3,132	508	3,640
Nash	5,756	4,083	673	4,756
Wilson	3,836	2,251	439	2,690
District Totals	14,499	9,466	1,620	11,086
<u>District 8</u>				
Greene	1,362	836	286	1,122
Lenoir	4,545	2,210	997	3,207
Wayne	5,029	2,741	1,334	4,075
District Totals	10,936	5,787	2,617	8,404

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<u>District 9</u>				
Franklin	1,922	1,092	532	1,624
Granville	2,685	1,722	385	2,107
Person	1,959	1,104	527	1,631
Vance	2,558	1,659	540	2,199
Warren	943	596	146	742
District Totals	10,067	6,173	2,130	8,303
<u>District 10</u>				
Wake	31,758	14,075	9,977	24,052
<u>District 11</u>				
Harnett	4,402	2,538	785	3,323
Johnston	8,308	4,274	1,874	6,148
Lee	2,478	1,440	537	1,977
District Totals	15,188	8,252	3,196	11,448
<u>District 12</u>				
Cumberland	18,103	11,841	3,209	15,050
Hoke	2,503	1,694	363	2,057
District Totals	20,606	13,535	3,572	17,107
<u>District 13</u>				
Bladen	3,532	1,814	899	2,713
Brunswick	4,596	1,378	1,061	2,439
Columbus	3,551	1,859	941	2,800
District Totals	11,679	5,051	2,901	7,952
<u>District 14</u>				
Durham	18,199	10,808	4,057	14,865
<u>District 15A</u>				
Alamance	6,703	4,063	1,743	5,806
<u>District 15B</u>				
Chatham	5,188	2,840	1,216	4,056
Orange	6,496	3,320	1,323	4,643
District Totals	11,684	6,160	2,539	8,699
<u>District 16</u>				
Robeson	7,408	5,271	924	6,195
Scotland	2,339	1,760	447	2,207
District Totals	9,747	7,031	1,371	8,402
<u>District 17A</u>				
Caswell	1,887	1,212	334	1,546
Rockingham	5,909	4,113	1,035	5,148
District Totals	7,796	5,325	1,369	6,694
<u>District 17B</u>				
Stokes	1,591	913	292	1,205
Surry	4,669	2,851	703	3,554
District Totals	6,260	3,764	995	4,759

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<u>District 18</u>				
Guilford	31,441	16,213	8,712	24,925
<u>District 19A</u>				
Cabarrus	7,284	4,850	1,436	6,286
Rowan	5,770	3,866	1,149	5,015
District Totals	13,054	8,716	2,585	11,301
<u>District 19B</u>				
Montgomery	1,793	1,088	355	1,443
Randolph	5,329	3,135	1,190	4,325
District Totals	7,122	4,223	1,545	5,768
<u>District 20</u>				
Anson	1,864	1,161	429	1,590
Moore	3,592	2,154	1,048	3,202
Richmond	2,634	1,780	545	2,325
Stanly	2,175	1,552	349	1,901
Union	4,387	3,010	1,065	4,075
District Totals	14,652	9,657	3,436	13,093
<u>District 21</u>				
Forsyth	20,029	9,563	6,978	16,541
<u>District 22</u>				
Alexander	1,349	680	429	1,109
Davidson	5,083	3,242	1,197	4,439
Davie	1,925	1,237	20	1,257
Iredell	7,902	4,847	1,563	6,410
District Totals	16,259	10,006	3,209	13,215
<u>District 23</u>				
Alleghany	696	478	139	617
Ashe	1,351	911	249	1,160
Wilkes	3,273	2,255	681	2,936
Yadkin	1,840	1,293	324	1,617
District Totals	7,160	4,937	1,393	6,330
<u>District 24</u>				
Avery	995	677	114	791
Madison	1,297	909	226	1,135
Mitchell	534	339	126	465
Watauga	2,067	1,528	309	1,837
Yancey	879	563	42	605
District Totals	5,772	4,016	817	4,833
<u>District 25</u>				
Burke	6,205	3,962	1,107	5,069
Caldwell	3,651	2,243	935	3,178
Catawba	8,732	5,600	1,712	7,312
District Totals	18,588	11,805	3,754	15,559
<u>District 26</u>				
Mecklenburg	36,968	25,812	6,384	32,196

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<u>District 27A</u>				
Gaston	9,119	5,625	2,146	7,771
 <u>District 27B</u>				
Cleveland	7,485	4,843	997	5,840
Lincoln	2,685	1,547	790	2,337
District Totals	10,170	6,390	1,787	8,177
 <u>District 28</u>				
Buncombe	8,077	6,322	1,003	7,325
 <u>District 29</u>				
Henderson	3,147	2,552	170	2,722
McDowell	2,342	1,741	325	2,066
Polk	1,049	865	77	942
Rutherford	2,755	2,242	430	2,672
Transylvania	1,009	749	131	880
District Totals	10,302	8,149	1,133	9,282
 <u>District 30</u>				
Cherokee	2,293	1,729	134	1,863
Clay	394	271	66	337
Graham	234	150	41	191
Haywood	3,071	2,473	164	2,637
Jackson	1,397	1,105	143	1,248
Macon	1,221	1,516	126	1,642
Swain	1,246	944	183	1,127
District Totals	9,856	8,188	857	9,045
State Totals	486,994	298,217	100,436	398,653

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